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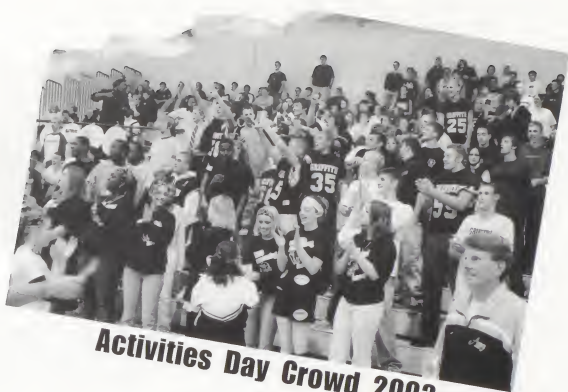
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Shooting some pool at Bridge's Scoreboard in Griffith, Junior Eric Romesburg waits for the High School Prep Report to start. The football team meets at Bridge's every Thursday before the Friday game. Afterward they head out to the graveyard in Calumet Township and back to the football field.

Working on a poster for the new club FCCLA, sophomores Lisa Markut and Claudia Rybacki color in paws with gold glitter paint. The club was in the Homecoming parade. Club participants paid a dollar that was donated to the Humane Society and walked pets decorated in black and gold.



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Recording their data for biology class, sophomores Dayna Johnson and Ashton Apple use the microscopes. "Biology is my hardest class," Johnson said. "I'm always writing, and we are constantly doing work." The biology classes used microscopes to study cells and organisms that were too small to see their detail with the naked eye.



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The town was incorporated and the town board met for the first time in Wickenrider Hall.

The police department was started when John Harkenrider was appointed the first town Marshall.



John Miller, R.H. Andrews, and Lou Southworth planned and supervised the first election.



William Peter Govert, a railroad agent, was elected the first Town Board President. His home at 338 Broad street still stands.

1904

November
19, 1904

1000 Ways



Shirley Clarkson



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Drake Bistrow



Drake Bistrow

1) sophomores Laura Matovina and Kristen Mathews 2) senior Justin Fogarty 3) junior Crissy Szymczak 4) seniors Kaleigh Kistler, Nick Choate, and Jerred Zukanovich 5) Varsity Cheerleaders 6) sophomore Jessica Koch



First Pipe Line Co.
was established

William Peter
Govert died in the
middle of his term

Do What?

to...

There are zillions of ways to explain 100 years of Griffith. The town of Griffith celebrates its centennial anniversary this year, and many things have changed since 1904 when the unofficial name of Griffith was Dwiggin's Junction. Although that might have been a better name, since Griffith is notorious for its seven railroad tracks and the area was founded by the Dwiggins brothers, Griffith was named after a railroad surveyor who worked in the area. In fact, if a student is running late for football practice or a tennis match, those lights will start flashing and they will hear that bell ring. Numerous tracks were built in the same spot to generate a direct line to Chicago before trucks and highways were a way of travel. Griffith High School, which originated as Franklin High School, was moved to its current location in 1967 and then renovated in 2001. Although most students think that there is nothing to do in Griffith, there is a bowl arena, numerous fast food locations, downtown shops, a bike trail, and most popular of all just hanging out at a friend's house. Even though many things have changed in Griffith, many have stayed the same. The hope of hanging out with friends and having something to do on Friday night, the desire to achieve, the will to win, the need to work together, the ability to stand out, and the drive to spend that cold hard cash are all important activities in Griffith. After 100 years, everything is different, but some things will never change. *Christina Boncela*

An attorney named Paul Harris held the very first Rotary club meeting because they "rotated" the location of their meetings to each of their businesses.

1905

All able-bodied men were required to work two days each month on the development of town roads. Those who missed a day had to pay \$1.50. Only war veterans were excused.



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The Town Board passed an ordinance that two speed limits be printed and posted at the North and South ends of town.

The city of Gary was founded.

100 Ways to... Have a Good Time

Nothing to do. Well, think again. There are way more than 100 ways to have a good time. Hanging with friends, watching a movie, and taking a walk are only some of the fun things to do.

For senior Ross McMullin the weekend is when he has most of his fun. "My favorite thing to do is to hang out with my friends and any other available females. My friends and I usually eat, play football, watch television, and sometimes play Playstation 2. McMullin and his friends like to eat a lot, especially fast food. "We're well known at McDonald's, Wendy's, and we even have hook-ups at Taco Bell. We went there every Friday night before the game and they gave us free drinks last time."

But, that's not the only place that McMullin eats fast food. "Every Saturday I go to Taco Bell and get a special club with triple meat."

Fast food is also a favorite of junior Julie Cservenak. "I love to eat and most of the time when there's nothing to do we go get fast food," Cservenak said, "but my favorite thing to do is to watch movies with my friends."

McMullin likes to stay active so sometimes he plays sports. "We usually play football on Saturdays when we can get a big group together," McMullin said. **Christina Boncela**



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Say cheese! Senior Ross McMullin has a "cheese party" at his house just for fun. Sarah Steinhubel also eats an entire spoonful of sugar with cheese in her hair and on her cheek. Sometimes students had some crazy ideas for things to do when they get bored. Who knows what will happen when there's nothing to do?



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Griffith purchased nine gas burning street lamps

The Great Earthquake and Fire occurred in San Francisco

1906

When the Lights Go Out

By: Bobby Bridegroom

As we look up at the clock and watch the seconds slowly pass, we wait endlessly for the nightlife to begin. Suddenly, the bell rings and the students scurry home to make their plans. Nightlife can include anything from going to the football games, going out to eat, going to the movies, or bowling. The night is the time when a lot of people hang out with one another. Most students usually drive around, go some place fun, or just sit at someone's house watching a movie.

"I don't really do anything except hang out with my girlfriend and my friends," freshman Mike Leibengood said.

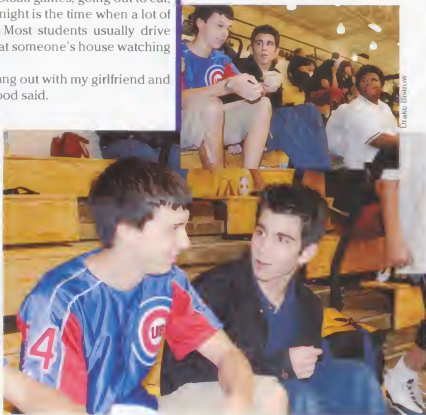
For other students its the time to go out and have fun. "The night is the time to be out. There are a variety of fun things to do including, teeping, or even going shopping, going out to eat, etc...," freshman Andrea Naaman said.

For some people, after the games is when they do things, like go to the clubs or to a party. If a club isn't your thing there are a number of other things you can do with your friends. Some students go to Starbucks, or even to Wal-Mart, just for a good laugh.

So if you walk, run, jog, or drive, you can find a variety of fun things to do and meet up with a lot of other students when the sun goes down.

Showing some Spirit?

supporting the volleyball team, sophomores Alex Wilcoxson and Darek Kowal sit through a match. Going and supporting school activities is something that many students do for thier nightlife.

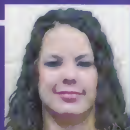


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What do you like to do at night?



"I don't do much. I just work at Discovery, hangout, and party." Lindsay Crook 11



"I usually go to Bridges with the football team on Friday nights." Jake Gazarkiewicz 9

Sophomore Arek Ryzak shoots pool in his basement with his friends. Ryzak shoots pool just about every weekend. "Playing pool and hanging out with my friends is a great way to spend the nightlife," Ryzak said.



The town's first cement sidewalks were built.

The town hall was built.



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Having a ball, Juniors Darcy Govert, Megan Sudac, and freshman Ruth Zemke goof around at the taco party held at the Sendejas's home the night before the sectional game. "I love having fun with the team, they're all crazy," Sudac said.

Listening to the music selections at Border's in Highland, sophomore Tim Garibay jams with the beat. Garibay only goes to Borders when there is a ride available. Borders sold books, music, videos, food, and coffee.



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Cruising around town in his 1993 Honda Civic, senior Brad Szczeniak drives to a friend's house. When there was nothing to do students would usually drive around town until they could find a party or something to do.



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Having a cheese party at senior Ross McMullin's house. Seniors Sarah Steinhubel, and Ben Bartley squirt easy cheese into each others mouths. "My stomach hurt after we ate the cheese and I thought I was going to get sick," McMullin said.

The Griffith Public School Board was founded.

Oklahoma was the 46th state admitted to the union.

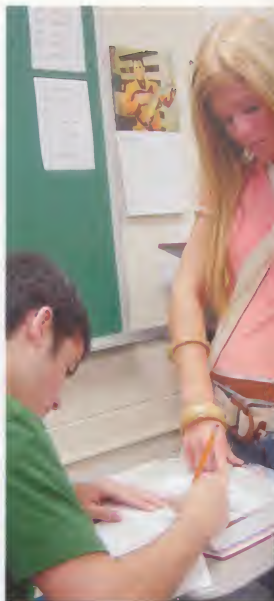
1907

Sophomore Trevor Wood talks with Justine Yeager and Jessica Wachowski at their lockers. "I wear whatever looks okay on me, and is in style. My style of clothing is usually Hollister or Abercrombie and Fitch," said Wood. Students generally shop at Westfield Shopping Center.

Going over homework in class, Junior AJ Troxel receives help from junior Amber Houchin. Houchin was wearing bangle bracelets, a very big trend this year. "I get some of my jewelry from thrift stores. It's a good place to find things that are cute, but not expensive."



Krzysztof Zymirski



What is the most comfortable clothing?



"I like wearing jeans with a sweater."
~ Adrienne Powers 11



Sweatpants and a t-shirt. I feel comfy like that."
~ Natalie Bermudez



"I wear mostly comfy pants and sweatshirts."
~ Suzy Wilczynski 12



"I feel most comfortable in a sweatshirt and sweatpants."
~ Kelly Redden 9

Looking over their notes during a passing period juniors Caitlin Dudley and Samantha Barlog try to quickly cram for a test. Dudley, a cheerleader, and Barlog, a pantherette, are required to wear their uniforms to school on game days to show school spirit.



Doug Abbott

Republicans chose the secretary of war, William Howard Taft. Taft easily won the election.

Griffith's first pieces of fire equipment, two hand pulled fire wagons, were purchased.

Watch your Step

During passing periods students run down the stairs to their next class. Sophomores Michael Laffoon, Keith Boilek, and Angela Espinoza stop at their lockers. "I wear anything that I like, clothing doesn't have to be expensive to be cute," Espinoza said.



Doug Abbott



Krzysztof Zymbranski

Setting the Trends

by: Elise Dixon

With all of the different fashions that are out there, it is nearly impossible to say that Griffith High School has any one specific fashion style. Many fashions are inspired by styles of major designers. For instance, clothing is being influenced by Asian styles this year. Boots in every color and cargo pants are in this year, too. Many students follow the trends. Then there are also some who like to avoid trends.

Many high school students go to the mall, or they like to shop just at specific stores. Students definitely are not afraid to spend their

hard earned cash either. "Usually I shop at stores like Old Navy, Hollister, Abercrombie and Fitch, and American Eagle," said junior Justin Culp.

Do those that wear extremely small sizes have a difficult time trying to find cute clothing? Freshman Kelly Redden said "Usually I can get clothing in an extra small and be really cute." Redden is also a Pantherette, and they have to wear their uniforms any day that there is any home or away game. "It helps a little because I don't have to pick out a new outfit for that day, said Redden. "I can show school spirit at the same time. It works out perfectly."

Who's Shoes are Who's?



Alicia Byrns 11



Chad Henson 11



Christina Boncelza 12



Crissy Szymczak 11



Joseph Wagman 11



Katie Abascal 12



Rachael Dapshis 12



Shellane Gomez 11



Donna Klein 11

Records show that teachers' salaries at North School were \$60 a month, and \$70 a month at South School.

Havin' some fun

By: Megan Sudac

Every year students at Griffith High School look forward to the event of Homecoming, and all the activities that Homecoming has to offer. One event most liked in particular is activities day where all the students can come together and get out of class for a little fun. Sophomore Chris Fuoss looks forward to Homecoming every year, especially activities day.

"I like to watch all the people participating in activities day. I think it's really funny to see people make fools of themselves and I get a good laugh," said Fuoss.

Junior Dave Melton likes activities day, but awaits for the game. "I like activities day because everyone gets involved in the festivities, but the football players never get to take place in the events," said Melton.

Sophomore Bridgett Vechey is one of those students who likes spirit week the best and likes seeing how creative people can get.

"I like spirit week the best because it's the one excuse to dress wierd," said Vechey.

Melton feels the Homecoming game is always the best part about Homecoming and awaits for that event.

"The game is always fun, because we always have a big crowd for that game and our team always wins the Homecoming game every year," said Melton.

Vechey likes attending the Homecoming game as well because she gets an uplifting feeling from the atmosphere.

"I like the football games almost as much as I like spirit week, because I like watching the game and the enviroment always is full of energy," said Vechey.



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Kickin' into Homecoming

Seniors Kayte Majstoric and Amy Olmans participate in the three legged soccer event. The junior class cheers as the students take part in activities day. "Even though it was inside again this year, I still had a lot of fun cheering for my class," said junior Elise Dixon.



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Junior Alyson Laurencell wraps toilet paper furiously around junior classmate Fatimah Amara in the mummy wrap during activities day. The mummy wrap is a well-liked event during activities day, as well as many other activities.

Tugging with all their strength, senior Jerred Zukanovich and ITE teacher Bo Radtke compete in the tug-of-war event between the senior class and the teaching administration. The seniors won. Seniors got to compete against the administration after winning against the under classmen.



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Original Franklin School site was purchased for approximately \$1,800.

James Sherman is sworn in as the 27th Vice President of the United States.



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The Govert family stands in front of their home.



The 16th Amendment is passed by congress.

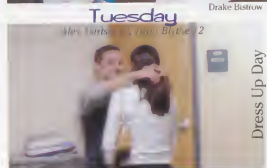
Leading the crowd in cheers, seniors Courtney Morgan, Luis Reyna, Anthony Lopez, Jerred Zukanovich, Nick Kitner, and Noah Zemke show off their school spirit. The boys performance was a real crowd pleaser and got the crowd pumped up for activities day.



Monday

Drake Bistrow, Caitlin Morgan 9

Pajama Day



Tuesday

Drake Bistrow, Caitlin Morgan 9

Dress Up Day



Wednesday

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Worm Day



Thursday

Whitney Gasaway

Celebrity Day



Friday

Joy Unsworth, Ashlee Moses 11

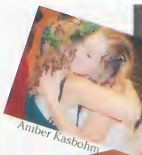
Black and Gold Day

1909

Senior Kaleigh Kistler reacts as she gets crowned Homecoming Queen by last year's 2002-2003 Homecoming King David Martin III. Kistler's older half-sister Danielle Trueblood was crowned just two years prior as queen.



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Amber Kasbohm



Noah Zemke



Tamin Blythe



Hilman Lozano



Lyndley Clarkson

At the Homecoming dance held by student council senior Christina Boncela does the limbo. Boncela went to the dance with her friends seniors Amber Kasbohm and Carly Salczynski in togas but changed after they got to the dance.



Franklin school adopted its name, which was popular and appropriate.

Local Griffith Residents





Lyndley Carlson



Drake Bostrow

Junior Ray Sexton gets down on the dance floor at the Homecoming dance, which was held on Saturday, October 4, the day after the football game. The price of admission for students was seven dollars at the door, and only five dollars if students wore a toga.

Riding on a fire truck during the Homecoming parade, varsity cheerleaders sophomores Ashley Schaller, Amy Baran, Tabitha Minton, Crystal Gonzalez and juniors Caitlin Dudley, Doug Abbott sit on a ladder. A Homecoming parade is always held the day of Homecoming before the game.



Drake Bostrow

King
Nick Choate

Queen
Kaleigh Kistler

The Court Report



King Candidates

Hunter Rogowski
Noah Zenke
Nick Choate
Jerred Zukanovich
Ryan Wilson

Queen Candidates

Amber Kasbohm
Sarah Planer
Tarin Blythe
Julie Sims
Kaleigh Kistler

Freshmen Amanda Uram beats the notes to a song performed by the Griffith High School band during the Homecoming Parade. The band played the school song while the Pantherettes danced in front and on the sides.



Construction of
Franklin High School

Hurley invented the first electric washing machine.

1910

Talking before class at there lockers, seniors Andy Goldasch and Brittany Clark chat about the day "Andy and I try to talk as much as we can between classes," Clark said. "We don't really get to see each other that much during school, so we make time for each other between our classes."



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Talking in Class

In Spanish, juniors Kristen Schultz and Ryan Swanson talk. "We always get time to talk during Spanish class," Swanson said. Sophomore Rachel Wright and junior Brad Szczesniak talk before going to class.



Lyndley Clarkson

Where is the Love?

by: Shannon Henderson

Holding hands, having the feeling of being needed, love notes being passed, and security are some of the things students can encounter in a high school relationship. A big part of being in high school is dealing with relationships. Senior Jerred Zukanovich feels that relationships take up to much of his time and earnings.

"Relationships are all about jealousy, control, and money," said Zukanovich. Not all students think like that. If they did, where would our world be? On the other hand, senior Tabatha Williams feels that being in a relationship can be beneficial, but only if you can take it.

"Relationships can be exciting as long as you are mature enough to handle it," said Williams. What is being mature? Not cheating on your

significant other, being honest, not being childish, and not crossing boundaries are examples of maturity. There are boundaries in any relationship that you have whether it be with parents or another person from school.

Now different people have different opinions, young and old. Most say that relationships have the same pros and cons. Feeling wanted, having someone to talk to, security, a friend who is always by your side are the pros. Sometimes the cons can get very ugly. Being too clingy, jealous, cheating, not having enough free time, and also alienating your friends are not favorable benefits. Overall, relationships are not all that bad, in most peoples eyes.



Lyndley Clarkson

Franklin school was built and finished.



South School was sold for \$15.00.

The cornerstore for the Town Hall was laid. The original building cost \$4,853



Lyndsey Clarkson

Sophmores Alicia Kielbasa and Colby Lamb talk before they go to class. "I like having a boyfriend, because I trust him and he understands me better than a lot of people do," said Kielbasa. "We'll always know that when we decide to break up that we will still be there for each other no matter what."



Lyndsey Clarkson

Where is the Love?

"I do believe in love at first sight, because sometimes when you first see someone you know they are the right person." Ashley Schaller 10



"No, you might think you're in love with them but really you're just either having a crush on them or think they are hot." Chad Henson 11

Going home after school sophmores Mallory Gatlin and Josh Gonzalez hold hands on there way to Gatlin's car. "I like having a girlfriend because there is someone always there for you, you can always have a good time with your girlfriend too." Gonzalez said.



A Methodist congregation established the town's first house of worship.



McFarland Lumber began operating.

1911

On a half day sophomore Josh Hodgeveen refills his Dr. Pepper at the Subway on 45th street. Subway became a popular half day restaurant after the Pizza Hut that was originally there closed.

What do you do on half days?



"I really don't do anything different than anyone else. I just go out to eat and to someone's house."
— Joy Helfen 10



"I go riding with my friends. I do that just about every day, but on half-days you have more time."
— Brandon Carpenter 10



"I usually just go home and end up going back to sleep."
— Rene Salinas 9



"I go out to eat with my friends then go home and hang out with my boyfriend."
— Amanda Borders 12



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Waiting at a table, freshmen Robert Robinson and Lindsay McCabe laugh it up while waiting for the line to diminish before going up to get their food. Long lines were a hassle, and businesses often had to hire extra employees for half days.

Sophomore Erika O'Connor and freshman Caitlin Scott call some friends to offer them a ride. "We were looking for somewhere else to go because the lines were so long," O'Connor said. Students who couldn't drive often had to go somewhere in walking distance of the school.



Griffith Land Co.
Christenson and De St.
Aubin formed

The Girl Scouts were
founded.

First year of Griffith
High School.





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Drake Bistrow

Lounging around, senior Michael Rutledge takes a quick nap after his half day of school. Going home and falling back to sleep is common among students who don't get enough sleep during the week.

To Go Out or Go Home

by: Ashley Cogdill

Half days came and went throughout the year with many different activities. Some went out to lunch with friends while others caught a quick flick. Then there were those students who went back home, crawled into bed, and slept away the day.

On a peaceful afternoon last year, sophmores Lauren Massa, Laura Matovina, Kristen Mathews, and Sarah Williams hung out at the park. The peacefulness soon turned into craziness when Mathews and Williams got the bright idea to ask random people to dance while playing the 90's hit "Pump up the Jam" and Mathews video-taped it.

Teachers, however, are not as lucky as students. Jim Graff, art, goes to Food King Buffet on his lunch hour. Shortly after eating he returns to school for meeting(s). "From an artist's standpoint, half days are a waste," Graff says. "There's nothing you can do in 20 minutes."

Half days were a perfect opportunity for students at Griffith High School to make up for lost time and activities. Whether students sleep, go out with their friends to lunch, or keep to themselves for the day, most of them have agreed half days are a necessity. Teachers enjoy the time away from rowdy students for half of a day too. Every once-in-a-while, it feels good for the student body, faculty, and administration to escape from homework, tests, and lectures to get away from it all and relax.



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Having some fun,

senior Gary Alvarez chooses to spend his half day playing video games, while juniors John Rogers and Garrett Johnson enjoy a quick lunch at Burger King.



Drake Bistrow

April 14, 1912

Griffith became the first school in the Highland - Griffith-Ross corridor to offer a secondary education.

The Titanic sunk off of the coast of Newfoundland.

The 17th amendment is passed by congress.

1912

Driving a boat on the water in Florida, senior Lauren Convery takes full power along with the supervision of her father, Robert Convery. "I had to wear sunglasses while I was driving the boat because it was really bright and I couldn't see," Convery said.



photo provided

Posing for a picture on a gorilla statue at Busch Gardens Tampa Bay, junior Amber Houchin flashes a smile. "I loved the crazy rides at the park. They were fun because I've never been on them before," Houchin said. Busch Gardens is home to many great rides and roller coasters.



Harriet Tubman, former slave, abolitionist, and freedom fighter died.

The Seventeenth Amendment - the direct election of senators - became a law

The Wilson administration began government-wide segregation of work places, rest rooms and lunch rooms.

Swimming with dolphins.

isn't usually a normal part of a vacation, but for sophomore Mallory Gatlin it was. Gatlin took a trip to the Dominican Republic where she experienced all kinds of new things over Spring Break.



photo provided

Getting out of Town

By: Lauren Becze

What do you think of when you hear Florida, Jamaica, and Cancun? For some people they would picture partying or a family vacation. Some people only dream of going there, and others think of one thing: vacations.

"Vacations are fun. It is a time where I can hang out with my friends and not have to worry about taking tests or studying for school" freshman Leah Morton said. I love how I can sleep in everyday and just hang out with my group of friends."

Griffith students do a variety of things over their breaks. "This summer I took a trip to Kentucky. I went tubing on the lake, and I got to visit my grandma," sophomore Sidney Govert said. "While I was waterskiing on the lake, we got stuck on the boat. We were stuck there because there was a tornado coming, and we couldn't get off."

Unfortunately, vacations are not just a time to mess around for some students. There are many Griffith students that play sports, and have practices or conditioning that takes up most of their time.

"During my vacations I had soccer conditioning that took up a lot of my time. Even with all the practices it was worth it and I still had a good time," freshman Kyle Palanca said.

Even with the athletes' extensive practices, students make time to be with their friends. Many students went to each others houses and hung out together.

"Pretty much every weekend during the summer, I had a fire going in my backyard, and all my friends came. We just chilled together and had a good time," senior Brian Prewitt said.

Vacations in general are a time where people don't have to worry or think about school. They can have fun, even if they do play a sport and have conditioning. It's a time where people can be in town or out of town. It's a time where people can hang out with their friends, family, and sleep in for the short period before school starts again.

What's the best part of going on Vacation?



"Relaxing and getting away from everything."

~ Amy Baran 10



"Leaving Griffith to get away and seeing all the hot girls in bikinis."

Justin Fogarty 12

Jumping in backwards, seniors Melissa Miecznikowski, Carly Salczynski, Emily Etheridge, and Amber Kasbohm make a splash at their hotel swimming pool during spring break. The girls went to Florida where they visited Islands of Adventure, Disney World, and Daytona Beach.

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William H. Taft, a republican from Ohio finished his term as president.

The portable phonograph was manufactured.

Igor Stravinsky's ballet *The Rite of Spring* was produced.

1913

Driving down Broad Street students can pass Blythe's Sporting shop, Varsity Shop, Griffith Jewlers, Boz's Hot Dogs, Franklin Elementary School, the basketball courts, and numerous other locations.

Ready to go home, Junior Rich Lehmann exits the school by the auditorium which leads out to the senior parking lot. The senior parking lot was opened up to any student that could drive to school if they paid five dollars for a parking pass.



Drake Bastron

What do you think about our 'little' town?



Griffith is fun only because I know a lot of people otherwise it would suck.
— Erika O'Connor-10

I've lived here my whole life. So all of my friends are here.
— Tracy Kunkemoeller-10



Scaling the Griffith Tank in Central Park, a young boy enjoys his afternoon. The tank, located on Broad Street, has been a favorite of children for many years.



World War One begins

President Woodrow Wilson issued a Proclamation of Neutrality.

Town expanded north and annexed the area of Ridge Road



Drake Bistrow

The Corner Cafe at 101 Broad street is now open 24 hours on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. The Corner Cafe started expanding its hours to hire the former employees of Jedi's after it burned down.



Waiting for a Train

is often what students have to do. Since Griffith was built around the seven tracks that run though the town, the tracks are a major part of our history. The abundance of tracks often cause traffic congestion on Broad Street.

Home Sweet Home

by: Drake Bistrow

The town that came to the tracks. That's what's seen on signs when traveling through downtown Griffith. There's more to Griffith then just a town built around train tracks. It's a place where we live, spend our time, and are involved in our community. Griffith is home to 17,334 people. A good number of those people are at a football or basketball game on a Friday night. The town pride can be felt by looking in the stands and seeing countless citizens of the community.

Many people have lived in Griffith for their whole lives. Senior Stephen Fry is one of those people. I've lived here since I was born and my family has been living in Griffith since 1980," says Fry. "I've really enjoyed being in Griffith and taking part in the different sports the town has to offer."

Many students at Griffith High School have been involved with local sport teams since they were in elementary school. Whether it's playing soccer at South Park or little league at Central Park, young people have been making friends through these activities for years. "I still hang out with some of the guys that were on my soccer team when I was in second grade," said sophomore Darek Kowal. "It's good to have friends that you've known for a long time. I moved away for a few years and when I came back, I still had my friends from before."

The town also offers activities. Many people use the local bike path or play on the high school tennis courts. Every August many people come out to participate in the "home town" run. In Central Park people play volleyball or enjoy the new pavillion. Some of the teachers at Griffith High School lived and went to school here when they were teenagers. Jim Graf, art, is one of them. For many years people have been going downtown to find things to do. Many stores have closed and new ones opened. People either stop at the Corner Cafe for lunch or go across the street to the Varsity Shop for their letterman's jacket. Many people moved to Griffith in the last hundred years to create the large community it is today. People can see the local town pride during parades or at other public events. Whether someone was a life time citizen or just here for a few years, they've been a part of the great place that Griffith is.



First United Methodist Church service was held. The service included twelve people.

1914

Central Forces
invaded France

The 4th Ward was
granted land north of
Glen Park Ave.

Junior Joseph Wagman throws the perfect spiral to one of his friends while playing football in the snow during winter break. "Richie Lehmann better be glad I don't play football with my quarterback skills," said Wagman.

Scurrying into school, students get dropped off as close as possible by the school doors to avoid the cold winter weather that driving students experience when getting out of their cars during the winter mornings to walk into school.



Krzysztof Zembrowski



Krzysztof Zembrowski

Trying to make it into the school before the first bell rings, junior Star Sepulveda with her younger sister and their cousin, senior Dario Garcia, walk through the snow-covered parking lot.

Sophomore Bobby Scheffel snowboards down a snow covered hill in his back yard during his free time. Snowboarding is a popular freetime sport that many high school students participate in.



Krzysztof Zembrowski

Methodist Church was built at the corner of Lafayette and Columbia.

Beiriger's hotel on Broad St.



Alexander Graham Bell recreated his first telephone conversation.

Brushing it all off,

senior Carly Salczynski and junior Shannon Trauscht clean off their cars after basketball practice. Since basketball is a winter sport, many basketball players are use to cleaning off their cars after practice is done for the day.



Krzysztof Zembrowski

Isn't it lovely weather

By: Kendra Terzarial

Snowball fights, ice skating, and building snowmen are just a few of the pastimes students enjoy during cold, snowy days. Winter break offers time for students to get out of the house and experience the outdoors. For others who do not like the cold, it's a time to stay inside and simply relax.

When family isn't around, students may go out and enjoy what nature has to offer. The giant snow hills call to them and they come running, sliding, and tripping. They go out and explore for new things to do.

"My friends and I like to take my truck and tie a sled to the back of it," junior Garret Johnson said. "In winter, we always find new things to do with our sleds."

Creating a new sport might not be your thing, so there's always actual sports like snowboarding and skiing. A less extreme approach is ice skating.

"My favorite thing to do in the winter," sophomore Dennis Vessell said, "is to go snowboarding. I usually go up to Michigan with my friends."

Sometimes the mind is all one needs to be able to have fun. Maybe it's better to enjoy the simple parts of the season. Some students take out their siblings and entertain themselves with them. Despite the cold, winter can bring out the warmth so many people have to offer. Quality time with brothers and sisters is always a good thing.

"My brother and I always play in the snow," freshman Steve Siokos said, "We really like to build snow castles and igloos."

When winter comes to an end, some students are glad that they will soon welcome warm weather. However, others are disappointed. No matter what your opinion is, you can look back and know you had a great time.

What do you like best about winter?



"I love playing in the snow and going sledding."

~ Adrienne Powers II

"I like sledding and jumping in the snow like a madman."

~ Molly Orzechowicz 9



Having a little snow fun after school in the student parking lot, senior Jack Kosinski fires a snow ball over the cars. Kosinski was known more for his running skills on the football field than he was for his winter snow throwing skills.

Megan Sudac

The liner Lusitania was sunk by German submarines on May 15.



Original Methodist Church

An additional site was purchased for Franklin School.

1915

Why did you get a job?

"I got a job because I wanted money to spend on clothes."
~ Joseph Ferguson



"I got a job because it shows responsibility."
~ Joshua McFadden 12



"I wanted the extra cash so I could go out with my friends more."
~ Cassandra Johnstone 10



Lyndley Clarkson

Junior Nikki Cornett fills cups of sauce up for breadsticks. Cornett usually works the night shift at Pizza Hut. She doesn't like her hours, which range from 4-12 p.m., because they are long and by the time her shift is over, she is very worn out and tired.

Sophomore Andrew Mazur starts to set up props for a haunted house in the K-Mart parking lot in Hammond. He wanted the job because it is fun to terrify people. Haunted Houses are a good place to work if you are looking for a temporary job during the fall.



Lyndley Clarkson



Turkey Run was purchased from the Hoosier Veneer firm for \$40,200.

The United States National Park Service is established.

The Boy Scouts are established.

Senior Charity Bryan helps out a customer at Old Country Buffet in Highland. Bryan thinks her job is fun because she gets to talk to a lot of people. She also likes all the people that she works with so she doesn't have to worry about not getting along well with them.



Sophomores Rene Salinas and Jaimie Scholte sell refreshments at Saint Mary's Tuesday Night Bingo. "We started working there because my mom said they needed help, so we started helping out," Salinas said.



Drake Bistrow

Working at Dairy Queen senior Lesley Thomas fills a customers cone with soft serve ice cream. Thomas has been working at Dairy Queen since Spring F 2003. Working at fast food restaurants was a popular job among students because it was easier to get hired by fast food restaurants.



Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

Working Hard

Junior Valarie Zivich likes her job at Strack and Van Til's because it is fun and she gets paid good money. Senior Justin Fogarty enjoys his maintenance job for the same reasons.



Lyndley Clarkson

We're in the money

By Krystal Zimkowski

With the hundreds of things on teenagers' minds like friends, school, and sports, it's weird anyone would want a job on top of all of that.

Junior Chris Chappa, who worked over the summer as a towel boy in the guys shower at Washington Park, says "I needed the money to pay for the insurance on my T-Bird."

Other people, like Junior Drew Thomas, work for spare money. "My parents told me to get a job because they wanted me to work and get some responsibility," Thomas now works at Arby's taking orders.

Sophomore Mike Brouillette who works at Meijers says he just needed money to pay for his hobby, paint balling.

Some people still have trouble balancing everything out. Thomas says he has almost no time left to do anything. "Besides working, I have football practice and because of that I have no time left for myself."

Sophomore John Therault who worked at Dairy Queen said "I had absolutely no time left to do anything and that's why I quit."

Most people said they had a hard time getting a job for the first time. "I had to wait three weeks before Meijers called me and told me I'm hired," Brouillette said.

"I had to go to ten stores like Target, Showplace, and other places. I had almost given up on looking when I got hired before Arby's called me and told me I'm hired," Thomas said.

Senior Mike Cahill said that he needed a job close by. "When I started looking for a job I needed something close so I tried getting a job at the school and when I asked if I could get a job, they said they had an opening."

The Battle of
Verdun began.

The United States
purchases the West
Indies and the Virgin
Islands for \$25 million.

Pancho Villa raids
Columbus, New Mexico

1916

Just Fun and Games

Games are designed to entertain people and it is something that a lot of Griffith students enjoy doing. The many different kinds of games are separated into categories, such as board, video, card, and most recently cellular games.

Sophomore Christopher Fuoss likes to play video games, "I play Madden and Freedom Fighters with my friends, usually at my house," said Fuoss. "Video games are very challenging and I like spending time with my friends. We have a really good time," said Fuoss.

Often students play games that are slightly out of the ordinary, such as Battle of the Sexes. Senior Luis Reyna often gets together with a few of his friends to play games together.

Whether gaming or watching the games, students are staying busy, and that keeps them from being bored. Having something to do is essential to having a good time, and games just happen to be activities that students enjoy.

Playin' the Game

Serving up a fast game, Junior Kevin Torok plays ping-pong with Juniors Joseph Wagman, and Claudio Gurrola. "It's a really addicting game. There aren't too many people that can only play it once," said Torok.



Christina Bouccha



Christina Bouccha

Laying and playing Battle of the Sexes, Senior Luis Reyna plays a game with Junior Joseph Wagman. "Sometimes games get boring, so we decided to change and play a really funny game. Battle of the Sexes is a great game to play at a party," said Reyna.



J.J. Jussereald won the Pulitzer Prize for "With Americans of Past and Present Days."

Puerto Rico was made into a United States territory.



Christina Boncles

Playing Holden Trivia: A Tribute to *Catcher in the Rye*, seniors Amber Tolson, Megan Matusik and Melanie Fuoss enjoy this game made for Tolson's Advanced Placement English class. "The game was actually fun, I was surprised," said Fuoss.

Playing Mario Kart 3 junior Denise Roznowski takes a break from homework afterschool. "I like racing because it's a really easy game to play," said Roznowski. Some other popular games are Madden, Grand Theft Auto, Vice City, Freedom Fighters, and True Crime



Drake Bistrow



Christina Boncles

What's your favorite game?



"I like the Sims games. They keep me busy for a long time."
-Joanna Tinich 11

"I like Madden 04 because I like football, it's a really good game."
-Danny Calhoun 9



U. S. enters World War I on the side of the Allies.

The Eighteenth Amendment was passed by congress.

1917

Juniors Sara Brines and Lesley Thomas enjoy their freetime by going out to eat. "When there is nothing to do, my fiends and I like to go to Dairy Queen and get something to eat. Then we just hang out," Brines said. When there was nothing to do, students enjoyed eating.

Grinding on a rail, sophomore Joshua Hoogeveen skates to enjoy his freetime. "Skating is fun because it progresses so much, and it's my way to relieve stress," Hoogeveen said. Finding an outlet for stress helped students cope with the difficulties of school and home life.



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Drake Bistrow

Taking a nap during class, senior Christopher Baccino takes a break from school. "I have football practice everyday so the only freetime I have is during school. I like to use that time to sleep," Baccino said. Baccino preferred sleeping in class instead of doing homework.



Russia pulled out of World War I.

Julia Miller and Vern Kenogasek.



The Methodist House of worship in Griffith burned down from a lightning strike.

The Hagenbeck Wallace Circus train crashed on its way to Hammond to perform.

Gliding through the air,

Junior Garrett Johnson does a move to practice riding his Bmx bike. "I go for whatever tricks I want, whenever, even if I hurt myself," Johnson said. Sophomore Jordan Lagestee loads up the bikes after a day of riding.



Drake Bistrow

Drake Bistrow

Boston Red Sox won the World Series.



United way of Central Indiana formed a war chest to provide for war and charity needs in Indianapolis.

Time to Ourselves

by: Natalie Mazur

Sometimes people just have those days when time drags on. There is nothing to do, and even if there is homework or chores, who in their right mind would happily do it? There is always something to do, but the problem is coming up with an activity that people do not get bored with in ten minutes. The question at hand, then, is what do students do with all the down time they have away from school, sports, and home.

The most common past time is probably watching television. Sophomore Christopher Fuoss watches The Simpsons Monday through Thursday, the days he has the most free time. "Along with watching TV when I don't have soccer, I like to play Madden 2004 on Play Station 2. On the weekends, my friends and I play video games and spades," said Fuoss.

"I really like to practice on my piano when I have time to myself," said senior Amber Tolson. "I started teaching myself about five years ago, and I've been playing ever since. Composing songs takes up a lot of free time. Reading books like A Vote of Intelligence by Richard Nixon is a favorite of mine."

When it comes to free time for students at Griffith, the activities range from staying inside and watching television, playing an instrument, or going outside and staying in shape. There is a plethora of activities to keep busy with and all someone has to do is find what it is he or she really enjoys.

Seniors Stephen Fry and Matthew Valois sit in their car and make a call to a friend on Fry's cell phone. "We usually try to make our plans before the weekend so we don't have to make last minute plans and end up not doing anything fun," Fry said.

1918

Senior Cory McCarter takes pride in his car at home and also away from his house. He only drives his car in the winter because it is an old model, and he has to take good care and maintenance of it for it to work properly. He takes other methods to get around in the winter, such as borrowing other cars.



Drake Bistrow



Waiting patiently freshman Frank Davis sits in the cafeteria to go home. The buses come to the school on different times, and the students are called to go to their buses. For many of students the bus is their only option to get home besides walking.



By: Doug Abbott

In America, traveling by automobile seems to be the most popular, but how do students at GHS get to school?

Junior Wendy Holmes drives herself to school. "I only drive in the summer, spring, and fall because my car gets stuck in the snow. So, when it's snowing outside, my mom drives me to school," Holmes said.

Junior Mindy Grahovac also drives her car to school. "I drive my younger sister, who is in middle school, and my other sister, who is a junior, to school. Sometimes, if we wake up early enough, we stop and get breakfast," Grahovac said.

Some younger students catch rides with friends or family, because only seniors and some juniors are allowed to have parking passes. "My sister takes me to school," sophomore Natalie Bermudez said.

Junior Shannon Smith gets a ride to school from her neighbor, senior Megan Matusik. Most seniors that have their own parking space, drive to school.

"I love being a senior. Now, I don't ever have to park on the street again. It's great," said senior Amanda Bernicky.

There are also pedestrians and bike riders out there. Sophomore Brandon Carpenter said, "I walk to school by myself or with my friend Nick Vasquez. One day while I was walking to school, Chad Henson almost hit me when I was crossing the street."

Getting to school can sometimes be a hassle. Trying to avoid snow, having enough time to get breakfast, avoiding being hit by drivers, getting up early enough just to catch the bus, are obstacles that challenge students before the day even starts, but there are a lot of choices to choose from just to get to GHS in the morning. How did you get to school today?



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Drake Bistrow

Getting There in Style

Junior Donna Klein scrapes the ice and snow off of her car. Because of the snow and sleet, many students have to get up earlier to start their cars. Also, Many students go sledding with friends. Below, senior Sean Dobis tries a burnout in his car.



The most famous World Series scandal of eight players that were accused of throwing the game against Cincinnati took place. They were known as the 1919 Black Sox.

The Treaty of Versailles was signed at the Palace of Versailles, in France.

How do you like to get to school?



"I usually get a ride from one of my friends."

-Kristen Schultz 11



"My neighbor, Cory drives me and my sister to school"

-Brandon Pollard 10



"My brother drives me to school everyday"

-Ruth Zemke 9



"I drive my girlfriend's car in the winter, and my car when it's nice out"

-Cory McCarter 12

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Drake Bistrow

After a long day at school, senior Zach Artz takes a walk home. "Since I don't have a car, I have to walk to school. It really isn't all that bad because it only takes me about ten to fifteen minutes," said Artz. But sometimes senior Aaron Greer gives Artz a ride.

Opening the door to his car senior Jesse Homoky shows chivalry to his girlfriend junior Ashley Burch. "I love my car because of its character, and it doesn't have to be fast, it just has to look fast. It really is high maintenance though," said Homoky.

Drake Bistrow

The League of Nations was formed.

Prohibition of alcohol began in North America.

1919

Sophomores Andrew Mazur and Jacob Gee enjoy a quiet afternoon hanging out at Mazur's house. Both enjoy playing Diablo, an online computer game. Weekends provide time for students to catch up on their favorite activities.

Taking a ride on their dirtbikes, sophomores Benjamin Hancock and Joshua Pepoff zoom down True Street. Riding dirt bikes on the weekend was a popular activity among students who owned them or had friends who did.



Krzysztof Zembrowski



What do you do on the Weekend?

"I hang out with my friends or go to the movies."

Elizabeth Stanford 9



"I like to work on my father's Corvette on the weekend."

Anthony Dwyer 10

"I hang out with my girlfriend."

Jonathan Dirst 11



Gliding down his home-made ramp, sophomore Andrew Vaclavik practices his skateboarding technique. On the weekends, Vaclavik enjoys skateboarding with his friends any place that is available. "I skateboard when I have time," Vaclavik said. "I'm not the greatest, but I'm working on it."



View of Broad Street

H.B. Richie became the first fire chief.

First water works started.

First Christian Church was organized. The first meeting was held in a tent.



Krzysztof Zembrowski



Krzysztof Zembrowski

Downing the remainder of his fries and soft drink, senior Matthew Vaclavik gets ready to hit the road. On some weekends Vaclavik enjoys going to Devil Dog in Chicago for a meal. Many students enjoy the city scene on weekends.



Krzysztof Zembrowski

Two Short Days

by Amie Palmer

Those two precious days that come at the end of the week mean staying up late, no school, sleeping in, and partying. The weekend is a chance to break out of the dull, monotonous week and just have fun. So how do people spend their weekends? Not everyone does the same thing. For example, sophomore Jessica Koch would usually hang out with her friends at each others' houses. Junior Jessica Beemsterboer either goes to the movies or Schererville Golf Center.

Sometimes students have the unfortunate task of finishing up any left over homework before the weekend ends. They still seem to find time to do enjoyable things, however. As the weekend winds down, some students decide to finally start their homework on Sunday night.

What about Saturday? It is possibly everyone's favorite day of the weekend.

"My friends and I just kind of hang out, listen to music, or play cards a lot of the time. It is really fun to just stay up late watching movies with your friends and then be able to sleep as late as you want the next day," sophomore Cristi Steffek said.

Some students, like junior Andrew Peacock, have weekend jobs. Peacock works at Pizza Hut Saturday and Sunday.

"When I work, it's usually for about 15 hours of my weekend," Peacock said.

No matter what students do on the weekend, they found a way to enjoy themselves and get things like homework done.



Krzysztof Zembrowski

Reliving Their Childhood

Sophomores Keith Boilek and Angela Espinoza dangle and run around Central Park. Boilek reaches for the last two bars while Espinoza climbs up the steps to the twisty slide. Together for four months, they enjoy activities with each other.



Krzysztof Zembrowski

Griffith purchased a combination chemical and hose fire truck costing \$3,750.

Griffith State Bank opened.

The Griffith volunteer fire department was established.

1920

Line Dancing Around

Sophomore Arek Ryzak waits in line to get his pictures taken. "Lucky for my date and I, we were the second people in line," Ryzak said. David Smith, counselor, receives a ticket from sophomore Andy Nashkoff.



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Showing off their moves, juniors Alyson Laurencell, Richie Lehmann, Tim Vessel, Meagan Simon, Charlotte Joseph, and seniors Belinda Sendejas, and Natalie Mazur do the electric slide. "My favorite part of Turnabout was the day after, because the DJ wasn't good, but my group went to Chicago," Laurencell said.

Groovin' to the music, senior Allie Woloszyn has a fantastic time dancing with her friends. The DJ, "The Music Men," played a variety of songs like the "Electric Slide," the "Cha-Cha Slide," and the "Chicken Dance." During the night the music cut out twice due to electrical problems.

The first radio broadcast of a baseball game took place in Pittsburgh.

It's Your Love

By: Lauren Becze

So, you finally get the guts to ask the guy you like to Turnabout. Lucky for you he says yes and you spend the next month buying a dress, making arrangements, and making your appointments for the big day. Turnabout finally comes and you end up having to waste an hour and a half for pictures with your date, you have to dance to all slow songs, and listen to only half of some songs. The DJ even stops playing the music ten minutes before the dance is scheduled to end. After all of these problems was all the money, time, and stress you spent on Turnabout worth it?

According to sophomore Krystal Ulm it was. "Turnabout only comes around once a year. This was my first year going and I wasn't going to let something stupid ruin my night. My friends and I just had a good time while we were there and after the dance," Ulm said.

"I think that Turnabout was better this year," sophomore Ashley Churitch said. "Last year the dance just didn't have as many of my friends go as it did this year," Churitch said.

Some people didn't think of all the flaws in that way. Freshman Leah Morton had a different opinion on the dance. "Turnabout comes along once a year, and as a freshman I had big expectations on how the dance was going to be," Morton said. "But it wasn't what I expected with the lame music and hour long wait for pictures. Next year I hope they improve it."

Even with the ups and downs of the night, Turnabout goes still did their best to have a good time. They forgot about all the problems that had occurred that night with pictures and music and they just danced the night away.



Drake Bistrow

The first Miss America Pageant was held in Atlantic City.



Drake Bistrow

Nick Kitner 12

Jeff Martin 11

Aaron Ricks 12

Stacy Flooper 12

Enjoying a slow dance together, senior Josh Bridegroom and sophomore Cristi Steffek have their last dance of the night. "Turnabout was fun. The DJ was great, but I hated waiting for the pictures," Steffek said.

Taking a break from dancing, freshman Caitlin Scott and sophomore Tracy Kunkemoeller grab a handful of appetizers. "Turnabout was really fun, but the DJ was not good," Scott said.



Drake Bistrow



Drake Bistrow

Having a talk about their plans after Turnabout, juniors Joanna Tinich and Christina Alvarez discuss what is going on with her group. "After turnabout we went ice skating in Chicago and then went and ate at the Rainforest Cafe," Tinich said.

Juniors Brad Glidewell, Mike Albright, and senior Jerred Zukanovich bust a move on the dance floor. "The dance was so fun. My favorite part was dancing with all of my friends," Glidewell said.



Drake Bistrow

The first day/night U.S. transcontinental flight begins, delivering mail from New York to San Francisco.

Original Griffith volunteer firemen posed on the brand new "1921 Red Speed Wagon."



1921

Heading to the dance with her boyfriend, Chris Ellis, junior Kaitlyn O'Brien talks to Ellis about the line for pictures. "We had to wait for an hour to get our picture taken," said O'Brien. "By then the dance was almost over." Doors opened at six, but for those who came later, a long line awaited them.



Drake Bistrow

Lifting their dresses, juniors Sarah Zajac, Caitlin Dudley, Megan Sudac, Brittany Miller, Wendy Holmes, and seniors Julie Sims and Lauren Reitz get ready to take a garter shot before they leave for the dance. The group of seven and their dates took a stretch escalade to Turnabout.



Megan Sudac

How did you feel about the photographers?



"They were pretty bad, we didn't get into the dance until 9:00."
~ Sarah Zajac 11



"The photographers were okay, but they took too long to take the pictures."
Sean Glade 9



"I thought they did a good job, but they took forever."
~ Drew Rogowski 10



"They did a good job, but I felt like I missed out on the whole dance."
~ Christina Lozano 10

The American Pro Football Association was renamed "National Football League."

Indiana State Highway Bridge was built from US 40 to the National Road.



Megan Sudac



Megan Sudac

Sharing a moment, seniors Ross McMullin and Shawn Ramsey slow dance with one another on the dance floor. "Shawn Ramsey and I started out dancing with our dates but some how through the song we ended up with each other," said McMullin.

Talking to some of their friends, sophomores Laura Matovina and freshmen Andre Rogers and Kara Johnson wait for a good song. "The music wasn't very good" said Matovina, "but overall I had a good time." Most students didn't like the music this year, but they decided to get over it and make the best out of a bad situation.



Drake Sizemore

Princess Sidney Govert



Prince Candidates

- 1) Bobby Bridegroom
- 2) Russ Lamb
- 3) Matthew Nellenman
- 4) Brandon Pollard
- 5) Drew Rogowski

Prince Drew Rogowski



The Court Report

Princess Candidates

- 1) Amy Baran
- 2) Mallory Gartin
- 3) Crystal Gonzalez
- 4) Sidney Govert
- 5) Christina Lozano

Tired from the long night of dancing and standing in line, freshmen Ben Geffert sleeps peacefully in the back of the limo on the way home after Geffert and his group ate at Olive Garden. Geffert was tired after dancing all night at the dance.

Great Britain granted
Egypt independence.

The first ever radio
commercial aired on
WEAF in New York City.

1922

Band teacher Craige Phipps works on his computer in the band room. Collecting ducks is Phipps' favorite hobby. "I've been collecting ducks since I was seventeen," Phipps said, "ever since then people have been buying me duck things." Phipps' desk is filled with all kinds of ducks, from Donald to mallards.



What is your favorite hobby?



"My favorite hobby would have to be talking to the ladies." Shawn Mathis 12



"My hobby is just hanging out with my friends at the movies." Crystal Gonzalez 10



Lyndell Clarkson

Sophomore Jordan Lagestee likes to BMX in his free time. "My favorite hobbie is BMXing," sophomore Brandon Carpenter said. "I do it everyday, no matter what the weather is like," said Carpenter. BMX stands for bicycle motocross, which was popular among certain groups.

Demonstrating, sophomore Christina Lozano shows the little girls at Little Girls' Camp how to shake their stuff. "Teaching the little girls was a fun experience," Lozano said. "They all looked up to us, and I love little kids," said Lozano.



Robert Andrews Millikan won the Nobel Prize in Physics.

An earthquake hit the Kanto plain and destroyed Tokyo, Yokohama, and all of its surroundings.



Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

Having fun at karate sophomore Andrew Mazur busts a move. Mazur's favorite hobby is karate. He goes to classes five days a week for two to three hours. "I get to kick people's butts for fun and get away with it," Mazur said. Karate is a martial art that is both physical and mental.



Lyndley Clarkson

Whatcha Doing?

By: Lyndley Clarkson

What do making picture frames, horseback riding, white water rafting, and racing go-karts have in common? They are all hobbies of students or staff at Griffith High School. A hobby is an activity or interest people do in their free time, mostly for pleasure. When most people think of hobbies, they think of the more common ones, such as playing sports, singing, or playing an instrument, but there are many diverse hobbies in our high school community.

Many students have a hobby or many hobbies, but only a few have a hobby out of the ordinary. Junior Lisa Guzman makes picture frames out of shoeboxes. "I was bored one day and I had extra shoeboxes laying around and I decided to make a picture frame," Guzman said. The first frame she made was a silver frame she made for her Turnabout picture.

Students aren't the only people who have hobbies. Teachers also have hobbies. Theresa Ramos, librarian, enjoys white water rafting. "The best part of white water rafting is being with friends and the thrill of the big drops," Ramos said.

There are different kinds of hobbies for different kinds of people. Everyone can find something that interests them. You don't need to do hobbies that other people do, you can make up your own and maybe someone will follow you.



Lyndley Clarkson

Making marvelous music

Junior Rosie Sendejas kicks back and plays the guitar. "I wasn't really trying to play the guitar," Sendejas said. "I was just messing around with it." Sendejas plays the clarinet in band. Freshman Charles Cole plays the piano in the auditorium.



Lyndley Clarkson

Firestone tires put their inflatable tires into production.

The first brain tumor operation was performed at St Beth Israel Hospital in New York City.

1923

Before going home to put on her dress and finish her last and final touches, junior Lisa Cuzman sits in a chair at the Charles Hair Salon while getting an updo for her junior prom. Students usually get their hair done for around thirty to forty dollars unless they are brave enough to do it themselves.



Lyndley Clarkson

What did you like most about prom?



"The dancing was fun and you got to see everybody dressed up." ~ Richard Lehmann 11



"Dancing with all of my friends as a senior at my last high school dance." ~ Patricia Dergo 12



"The fact that my date left with me at the end of the dance, unlike last year at Turnabout." ~ Aaron Ricks 12



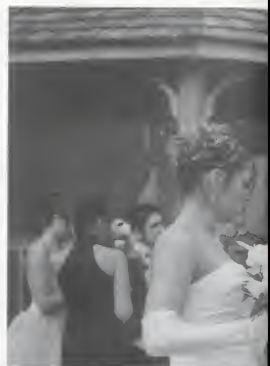
"Seeing all my friends and the energy everyone had while dancing." ~ Erin Doherty 11



Lyndley Clarkson

After taking pictures at her friend's house, senior Charity Bryan gets into her car to take off to the dance that was held at Halls of St. George in Schererville. Bryan, like many other prom goers went stag to the dance this year with senior friend, Jennifer Covington.

To show off his moves, senior Jose Escobedo gets in the middle of the circle the crowd formed and dances. Usually every year the crowd forms a circle so people can prove they have skills, but some students are too shy to go in the middle by themselves and need others to push them.



Scandal created when press reveals that film star Charlie Chaplin has married 16-year-old Lita Grey.



Making sure they look picture perfect, junior Megan Sudac and sophomore Caitlin Terpstra help each other out to make themselves look flawless for their pre-prom pictures. The girls were part of a large group and took pictures in Terpstra's back yard, complete with a gazebo to cater to the big crowd.

Dancing to the music juniors Roselinda Sendejas and Brad Connell smile. Girls that went to prom had a long list of things to get such as shoes, jewelry, hair, nails, garter, boutinier, and more. Also buying extra flowers to put in their hair was a popular trend.



Dancing the night away

Junior Ray Sexton holds hands with his girlfriend senior Sarah Planer in the middle of the crowd. Juniors Brittany Miller, Doug Abbott, and Wendy Holmes form a little group while getting down to the music.



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It's Your Love

By: Christina Boncela

Hair done, make-up on, and flowers bought in May can only mean one thing; it's prom time. And for seniors it was their last dance of high school. Senior Taylor Morton thought that was part of what made prom so special. "It was cool because it was the last big thing that we all got to do as seniors," Morton said.

Even with little quirks that get in the way, Morton still had a really good time. "I really didn't have any bad experiences, but the rain during the day kind of put a damper on peoples moods, and it was very cold while we were taking our pictures, but besides that everything was awesome," Morton said.

Junior Julie Cservenak thought that the dance was fun because she got to "skake it on the dance floor."

But Cservenak got really nervous when she went to announce prom court. "I was only physically nervous not mentally because my leg kept shaking," Cservenak said. "My legs were bare and I didn't want the entire audience staring at my out of control leg. But I did get upset when no one laughed at my jokes."

Although she had fun at the dance Cservenak had even more fun afterward because she got to ride a jet ski.

Overall prom was a weekend of heightened excitement and anticipation.

J. Edgar Hoover's, acting head of Bureau of Investigations (later FBI), job becomes permanent on December 10.



King Tut's tomb opened.

Little Orphan Annie makes her comic strip debut.

1924

Having a great time at the prom, Junior Amber Houchin dances and takes everything in. Houchin went to prom with friend, Junior Zach Hinchy. Beforehand, they took pictures at Junior Caitlin Dudley's house, and afterwards Houchin and her group got lost on their trip to Chicago.



Krzysztof Zeinbrowski



Mike Cahill 12, Melissa Rutherford 12



Belinda Smith 11



Joe Wagman 11, Keenan Trecht 12



Mark Harnew 11, Nikki Cornett 11



Drake Bistrow

Having a blast with Bugs Bunny at Six Flags Great America, Juniors Mark Hill and Sarah Zajac take a quick picture. The day after prom is usually a big deal for students and their dates to plan. Chicago, camping, and the beach are all top picks to fulfill the day after prom activities.



In March, Johnny Torrio leaves Chicago for New York and leaves control of the Chicago mob to Al Capone.

Crossword puzzles became popular.

Scott Fitzgerald's novel, *The Great Gatsby*, is published. It was acclaimed by critics, but is not a popular success in its day.



Krzysztof Zembrowski



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With much emotion, class council president, junior Julie Csevernak, announces the prom king and queen. After announcing the court, former prom queen, Sarah Planer, crowned the new king, junior Angel Escobedo, and former king, Nick Choate, crowned the new queen, junior Charlotte Joseph.

"The dance was so much fun this year. We especially loved dancing with all of our girls," said juniors Caitlin Dudley and Shannon Trauscht. With a crowd of people on the dance floor, juniors Dudley, Trauscht, and Sarah Zajac dance to a fast beat song with seniors friends Dario Garcia, Shawn Mathis, and Michelle Warstler.



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The Court Report

Queen
Charlotte Joseph

1



King
Angel Escobedo

2



King Candidates

- 1) Jim Swienconek
- 2) Richard Lehmann
- 3) Matt Hicks
- 4) Angel Escobedo
- 5) Claudio Gurrola

Queen Candidates

- 1) Charlotte Joseph
- 2) Caitlin Dudley
- 3) Elissa Heidler
- 4) Star Sepuleveda
- 5) Darcy Govert

4



5



Dancing in a large group of students, seniors Allie Woloszyn, Kaleigh Kistler, and sophomores Christina Lozano and Amy Baran get their groove on after eating. The prom menu was bread, fried chicken, mostaccioli, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, and fruit and cake for dessert.

University of Illinois football star, Red Grange, turns pro, joining the Chicago Bears.

Hitler publishes first volume 1 of *Mein Kampf*.

Flapper dress becomes tremendously popular.

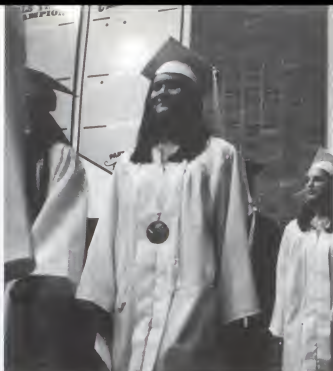
1925

Walking into the gymnasium during graduation, senior Brittany Clark carries her speech that she prepared for the ceremony. Clark was salutatorian for the class of 2004 and was captain of the Academic Super Bowl her senior year at GHS.

With their diplomas in hand, seniors Jacquelyn Kobeszka and Brenda Bernotus pose for a picture after the graduation ceremony. The two girls participated in varsity soccer this year. Kobeszka considered herself to be the "comic relief" of the team.



AJ Oltmanns



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We're Outta Here!

By: Ashley Cogdill and Laura Solivais

You're walking down the aisle at your high school graduation. As you pace, you look at all of your friends, your enemies, and the people you didn't even know went to school with you. The last days in this small town may be coming to an end.

For students here at Griffith High School, graduation is the end of a four-year road. For some, the road may lead to college plans, trade schools, or just a summer full of fun. Senior Anna Kowalski recently announced that she's going into the Navy. "While I'm in the Navy, I'll be heading off to college," said Kowalski.

Plans after high school develop from the time students are in kindergarten to the time that they get ready for their high school graduation. When senior Shawn Ramsey was younger, he dreamed of being a pro-wrestler. He shared the same dream with a friend, and the two had planned to attend wrestling camp in order to help achieve their dream.

Some students look at graduating as a positive thing. For some it means that they will never have to set foot in the school again, for others it simply means entering the next phase of life. "I am going to miss seeing all of my friends everyday. I will also miss the dress code and the favoritism that come along with it...not!" senior Ashley Blanchard said.

As the year came to an end, so did another era of life for the seniors class of 2004. Many students will go different ways and never see some of their fellow classmates again, and some will stay in close contact with each other.



Saying farewell,-

the class of 2004 stands up at the GHS graduation ceremony. This year the ceremony was held on June 11th and for the first time in three years the ceremony was held in the main gym here at GHS instead of at the Halls of St. George.



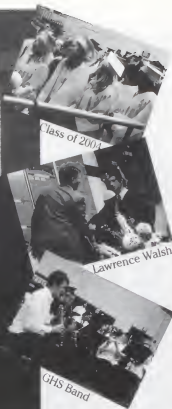
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On March 16, Robert Goddard fired the world's first liquid-fueled rocket at the farm of a family friend.

Queen Elizabeth II, economist Alan Greenspan, comedian Jerry Lewis, and actress Marilyn Monroe were born.



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Lawrence Walsh

GHS Band

Walking towards the podium, senior Jerred Zukanovich marches with his graduating class. Zukanovich graduated at semester so that he could attend classes at Purdue Calumet.

Shaking hands with Russ Radtke, senior Nicholas Choate stands in front of his peers at the graduation ceremony. Choate participated in football and in wrestling here at Griffith High School.



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Speaking in front of his fellow classmates, teachers, and parents, senior William McMullin reads the speech he has prepared. McMullin ended his speech with an arousing vocal performance of the Vitamin C graduation song.

Walking together into the school before the graduation ceremony, seniors Jacquelyn Kobeszka and Kelly Gilmartin carry their gowns. Kobeszka played soccer on the GHS varsity team this year.

Turkey abolished polygamy.

Scottish engineer, John Logie Baird, demonstrates a machine that transmits movie pictures using radio technology, calling it a "television", based on a 1884 idea by German Paul Nipkow.

1926

study alone pay attention caffeine be on time don't ditch work ahead
take notes stay awake bring a pencil follow dress code respect
never give up brown-nosing dancing carring volunteering
the golden rule stay out of trouble going above and beyond be optimistic
follow the rules concentrate be competitive determination believe in yourself
never give in group study motivation
have ambition work together inspiration go to college
sweat sacrifice graduate high school war
blood burn the midnight oil be honest tell the truth set goals
tears keep at it strength be persi don't be arrogant
take risks be open minded diligence le self-confidence
apply knowledge weigh decisions listen heed warning good personality
observe apply yourself comply
stay focused be presentable be couterous scholarships
be happy be genuine be prepared stay on top of things
don't slack like what you do help everyone get a job
look smart don't worry know those above you take naps
be prompt be proactive get promoted get involved
show up to meetings come early be cautious obey rules
graduate collage opening presents be a role model learning be objective stay informed
seize the day think before you act know your limits love yourself don't talk back
overcome obstacles follow through be attentive don't be petty

Colonel Richard Lieber, State Conservation
Commissiner suggested the name Pokagon after the
chief. By unanimous agreement, the park was
officially named Pokagon State Park.

The State Bank of Hammond
was built at on Calumet Ave.
in Hammond IN

100 Ways to... Get ahead

How do students get ahead. There are many ways, but a good one to start off with is to go to school, and study hard.

For sophomore Maja Bosnjak it's not any different. "I study about one hour a day," Bosnjak said. "I mostly study world history because it's the hardest."

Sometimes studying alone can get boring and tiresome but friends can always lift students up and help them with problems that they don't understand. "I usually study with my friends or a group of people because it helps me learn more," said Bosnjak. "It also helps me stay awake and it's not as boring as studying alone."

Unlike Bosnjak senior Sarah Planer likes to study on her own. "I like to study right before I go to bed while I'm laying there by myself," Planner said.

Most students only study right before a test or before finals. "I study the most before a test or finals, otherwise it seems hard and I'm not as motivated," Bosnjak said.

Planner also only studies when she needs to. "I only study when I have tests and quizzes for about an hour," said Planner.

Christina Boncela



Lyndley Clarkson

TAKIN' A BREAK-from I-STEPS sophomores Matthew Flutka and Emily Cutka stop by the table for milk and snacks. Senior Aaron Greer explains the parts of a guitar and how to play it. Greer decided to start playing the guitar after watching the talent show his freshman year. His dad allowed him to buy a guitar since he used to play.



Christina Boncela

Charles A. Lindenberg left Long Island on a single-engine plane called the "Spirit of St. Louis."

A portrait of Governor Ed Jackson was the second made for the state by Robert W. Grafton, the portrait was painted midway in Jackson's Administration.

1927

Randomly frolicking outside of the choir room, Junior Julie Cservenak shows off her goofy side. "I love acting really weird around people," said Cservenak. "It either scares them or makes them laugh, and I like seeing which reaction I get."

Long-Lasting Laughter

What words come to mind when someone talks about a class clown? Funny, annoying, or loud perhaps? These might only be a few of the hundreds of adjectives that may come to someone's mind.

"When I think of a class clown," said sophomore Trent Bierman. "I think of an idiot. They might think they are funny and making everyone laugh, but really they are not."

Every now and then we think about going to a particular class and think about all the homework that is about to be piled on...how boring it is. This was where class clowns could be more than just amusement. A person's goofiness can actually make someone's day. Some days end up being nothing but miserable. It might have been the class, teacher, or a bombed test. Having the class clown around could have made the rest of the day bearable.

Sophomore Eric Andree said, "Who else would make the class fun? Somebody has to take over the role of making people laugh."

Some people would have said class clowns were always the students that received poor grades and could be found in suspension. However, this stereotype was not always true. The class clowns could be the one of the smartest boys or girls in a class.

"You see, the thing is, this year I have yet to get caught," said senior Steve Helfen. "I don't think that I will."

What would classes have been like if we didn't have someone there to crack jokes at random moments? There's nothing to worry about. These characters will always be around. No matter what people said or how much trouble they did or didn't get into, a smile was sure to surface when in their company.

"I don't care what people think or say," said junior Dana Davis. "I like to make people laugh. That's the kind of person I am."

—Kendra Terzarial

Expertly constructing a "work of art" with his British Literature book, senior Steve Helfen keeps himself busy. English isn't the only class that Helfen slacks off in. He often doesn't take notes or pay attention in any of his classes, so he resorts to other forms of entertainment.



Lyndley Clarkson



St. Mary Catholic School was founded



Griffith's police force consisted of one man.



Lyndley Clarkson

Class clowns are not just for the students. Robert Hastings, social studies, demonstrates one of his many comical performances, the "time machine," with his sixth hour class. Hastings also accompanies his arm movements with a unique sound.



Natasha Mazur

Why do you like amusing others?



"I have no friends and that's the only way people pay attention to me."

~Charlotte Joseph, junior



"It makes me feel all warm and fuzzy inside."

~Brandon Pollard, sophomore



"Teachers don't make students laugh in class enough. I feel, as a loyal student, it's my duty to please."

~Tiffany Lindsay, senior

Waiting to show off his latest look to anyone, sophomore Michael McCrary daydreams in his Panther Press class. "I really just got bored and wanted to amuse anyone around me. Maybe I would make their day a little bit more tolerable," said McCrary.

Lyndley Clarkson

It only cost a dime to get into a girl's basketball game.

The Old Lincoln Highway became Route 30.

1928

Outlast, Outwit, Outplay

Up, above, and beyond, a short description of an overachiever. Success is on the mind. Achieving more than others is a top priority. Second best? Not if students could help it. These unique individuals would not and did not settle for the bare-minimum. These students were known as overachievers.

Part of students in school are slackers, participating and completing just enough to get by. Others are simply average, doing what he or she was told, and nothing more. Then there are the students that go the extra mile. It may be spending extra hours studying or participating in numerous extracurricular activities at one time. Of course with extra burdens taken on, time of their own was sacrificed. A full schedule never seems to get any smaller.

"All of my activities overlap each other," said freshman Jessica Gerlich. "Spell bowl, Drama Club crew, and the after school swing choir make my school year very busy. I'm never home."

Some students do not think of themselves in this category at all, even though they are. They actually consider themselves as doing what comes naturally to them. It's nothing more or anything out of the ordinary. A few students just did what they did without thinking about it. Doing a little bit more than what's expected is just normal to them.

"I don't really consider myself to be an overachiever. I just try my hardest," said junior Joy Lindsay. "However, when I try, I don't let it get to the point of being really stressed out."

All of the attention that the students may have stirred up isn't always welcome. A few of the students who were considered overachievers do not enjoy the stereotypes set out before them.

"I find the label to be annoying," said sophomore Derek Kowal. "I never thought the word 'overachiever' as a good thing. I really do not like to be the center of attention."

Despite everything that happens to them, on the top of their game is where these novices can be found. Never getting behind, a little bit of extra studying, and an abundance of activities is a normal part of life. It comes to them like second nature. If only it was that easy for everyone. Make sure to give these students "props" when they help you out before a massive test. Without them, we might all be the same. "Natalie Mazur



Lyndley Clarkson

Studying diligently, sophomore Emily Cutka goes over an Algebra II problem as she stays after school with Barb Deleget, mathematics. Cutka is taking two math classes this year; Geometry Enriched and Algebra II enriched, both weighted classes.

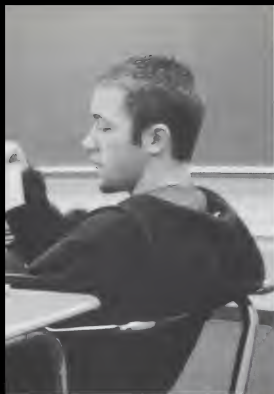
On April Fools Day, the yo-yo was introduced into the U.S. by Loui Marx.

The Beringer Hotel



after the first snow storm of the winter.

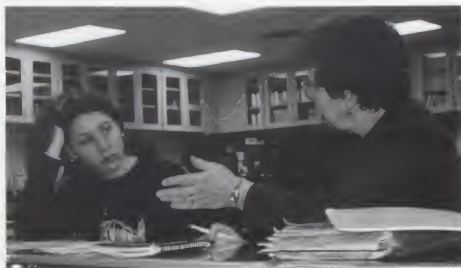
Tarzan, one of the first adventure comic strips, appeared for the first time.



Lyndley Clarkson

Sophomore Dennis Vessel and Junior Leslie Thomas study flash cards that Thomas made for English after the semester final in World history. Having so much extra time on her hands helped Thomas study for other finals.

Staying after school for Biology homework, freshman Amanda Tharp attentively listens to Ruth Carmichael, science, as she explains what she missed the day before. Biology didn't stop for finals, however. Students were still learning up to the day before finals.



Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

Sophomore Sidney Govert rewrites her study guide for her world history class. The study guide was designed to help study for the final exam. Although all the answers for the test weren't on the guide, a large amount of the information was.

As sophomore Renee Cabrales listens, sophomore Joy Heifen helped her study for one of her tests. As some students prefer to study in pairs or even groups, others still prefer to go solo and study independently in their bedroom.

Martin Luther King Jr.
was born in Atlanta, GA
on January 15th.

The Seeing Eye was incorporated in
Nashville, TN. Its purpose was to
train dogs to guide the blind.

Popeye made his first
appearance in a comic strip.

1929

What distracts you the most in class?



"I get distracted the most when all of my closest friends are in all of my classes."

~ Karolina Damski, freshman



"I would have to say that it's all the good looking guys in my classes."

~ Christina Lozano, sophomore

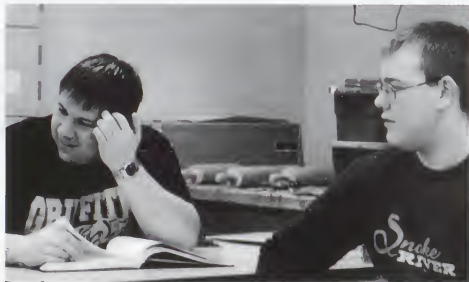


"During Mrs. [Shelia] Vaclaviks' class, all I do is just sit and stare out the window."

~ Jim Swienconeck, junior



Christina Boncela



Senior Sean Dobis and sophomore Andy Euber sit and talk during one of Jim Graff's many art classes throughout the day. A lot of students had many problems staying focused during hands-on classes such as ceramics and art classes.

Sitting in Kristina Kraiko's 1st hour English 11 class, sophomore Chad Henson wears Kraiko's hoodie. "I was cold so Ms. Kraiko let me wear her hoodie and I guess it did not fit to well because everyone thought it was funny," said Henson

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The top song during the 30's was "You're Driving Me Crazy," by the Dreamers.

The ninth planet, Pluto, was first discovered by Clyde Tombaugh.

Peering through the courtyard window seniors William McMullin and Luis Villarreal disturb Andrea McMullin's, textiles class. McMullin and Villarreal were working on their final exam project for speech class. The two didn't finish their project until five o'clock the morning it was due.

Senior Kelly Gilmartin sits and talks to senior Rachael Dapshis while she fixes her nail during one of Jim Graff's, many classes. "Mr. Graff's photography class was one of my favorites," said Dapshis. "But photography also had a lot of free time in between photo assignments."



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Distraught and Distracted

Being distracted is a very common problem for high school students. Whether they are thinking about their plans after school, homework for other classes, or they are just bored, students become preoccupied very easily.

One thing that is very annoying is when students eat during class, says sophomore Nick Vasquez. "When Erika O'Conner eats during class it makes me hungry," he laughs. Vasquez is not the only one eating during class annoys. It also annoys teachers too because it is against the rules and students create crumbs on the floor.

For most people it is their friends in class that is the biggest distraction. Just talking about all the so called drama that is happening in and around our high school keeps students occupied. "Who's talking to who, he's talking to her???" These are common conversations heard on the lips of our fellow GHS students.

Fashion is another distraction. Who is wearing what and where people shop are concerns of students. Senior John Schultz feels that, with all the hot girls around, it's hard for him to pay attention to the teacher.

This problem is not just partial to the males in our school. Sophomore Erika O'Conner admits also that she is distracted by guys at our school. "The hot guys is what distracts me the most!" O'Conner said.

All in all, distractions are very common for Griffith students. There always seems to be something going on that students are more interested in, than the actual class itself.

— Shannon Henderson

Looking out the window during Ed Hanko's math class, Junior Whitney Gasaway zones out. This was the first year students were able to look out into the courtyard and not see the dumpsters and the construction workers.

Mahatma Gandhi lead the Sult March in India during the year 1930.

1930

One of China's many civil wars between Watson and the communists began.

What unique things did you learn during the academic competitions?



"Artist Jackson Pollack never had a plan for his paintings. He would put the canvas on the floor and throw paint at it randomly."

— Charity Bryan, senior



"On the Fine Arts team we focused on music and art. The time period we studied was the Big Band and swing era."

— Crystal Bermudez, senior



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Enthusiastically sharing her information, junior Jovanka Balac presents what she has researched to Jim Pickett, social studies sponsor. "This was my second year on the team," said Balac, "I'm really interested in the things I can learn in history."



Famous ballerina Anna Pavlova was born on January 23.

The "StarSpangled Banner" was officially made the United States' national anthem.

Families of America began to experience the Dustbowl.



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Hardly paying attention to anyone around them, seniors Brittany Clark, Keenan Hecht, and David Milanec pick apart a problem at the regional JETS competition. All of the teams placed high, but unfortunately did not qualify for state this year.

Disecting Dilemmas

Some students stand out in school by specific things, such as the kind of clothes they wear, the way they act in class, or the different extra curricular activities they are in. An example, one not so well known, are the Academic Super Bowl teams. Each year there is a math, spelling, english, social studies, fine arts, and interdisciplinary team. The teams do not study the same thing every year. Instead there is a different time period from which the team members learn their material. How do students get in on the action? Maybe some had extra time on their hands, or a friend dragged them into it. Whatever reason for joining, students will benefit from the extra knowledge.

Sophomore Nicole Kubacki is one of the members of the spell bowl team. She joined spell bowl because she wanted to be able to put it on her college application. The team practiced on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays right after school in the library. Even though there were a lot of practices, there was only one competition throughout the year.

"The hardest thing about being in an academic competition is when you have to write down the word after you hear it, and then looking at it again," said Kubacki. "I only have a quick second thought on the way I spelled the word."

Many students on the superbowl team thought that being on a team helped them in school. Study habits and skills were honed through all of the practices. A few of the teams helped themselves remember information by making up games. Another way members mentally prepared were to take quizzes.

"We had one person research a topic and then present on it to the rest of our team. Mr. Pickett gave us any information that we missed," said junior Matthew Melton. "We practiced every Friday after school for at least a half hour, and sometimes we practiced longer."

Although members of the academic superbowl team do not break much of a sweat by running and diving around, they still work just as hard or harder than sports teams. These competitions take more brain power than anything, and just as with anything, hard work and dedication pay off.

"Natalie Mazur

Straining to prove they have what it takes, sophomores Alex Wilcoxson and Christopher Lamendola work on a math problem. "The highlight of the year for me was when my [math] team won first at the Munster competition," said Lamendola.



The Empire State Building was erected, and became the tallest building in the world.



The St. Louis Cardinals won the World Series 4-2 in game seven against Philadelphia.

1931

Copying notes, Junior Heather Plekarczyk sits in her seventh hour geometry class. "I think the hardest thing about geometry is staying focused and paying attention to Mr. [Eric] Schilling. Taking notes helps me though, especially on tests."



Krzysztof Zembrowski

What do you do to prepare for for tests in your classes?



"Miss [Katie] Bonnan often prepares fun activities to help review for a test."

~ Zorica Kvgic, sophomore



"Mr. [Robert] Hastings always played a fun review game with us the day before a test."

~ James Long, senior



"I like playing vocabulary bingo in Mrs. [Kay] Orzechowicz's English class"

~ Justine Yeager, sophomore



The first Griffith girl's basketball team



St. Mary's Church opened.

Time magazine produced their portrait cover after five years of trying.



Krzysztof Zembrowski

Sitting in Shella Vackavik's second hour English class, junior Brad Gidewell looks away from his vocabulary book. Gidewell and his friend try and quiz each other to get some last minute study time in before they have to take the test.

Sophomore John Selluns sits in the school library while he relaxes and enjoys a book he had picked out earlier that day to read for fun. Many students find reading on their own is useful in their English classes on tests and quizzes.



Krzysztof Zembrowski



Lyndley Clarkson

Junior Rosie Sendejas and band director Craig Phipps relax in the school's gym during a free day in 7th hour band. The two have fun trying to memorize Sendejas' lines for the try outs for the second annual dessert theater play.

The first U.S. air conditioned building opened in San Antonio.

Serious Studying

You're sitting down watching television relaxing after a hard day. Suddenly you realize you have a killer test coming up on Friday and don't know anything that is going to be on the test. What do you do? Some people will just read over the chapter that the test is on, some will try some questions that they might find at the end of the chapter. Others will stress out while they try and memorize everything the night before the test, and a select few don't even study at all. They just hope that since they paid attention during class and took good notes the test will be easy. They hope they'll know all the answers on the test, and that they get a good grade on it.

Freshman Jeff Sopko memorizes things for tests by paying attention in class. He usually studies in his bedroom because it is quiet. "I like to study with my friends because it is more fun than studying by myself, and I won't look stupid in class if I don't get an answer right because my friends will have it wrong also since we worked together," says Sopko.

Some students like sophomore Jenny Welch, memorize things for school by getting away from distractions. When she finds herself unable to concentrate, she goes somewhere else for a little while so she can take her mind off things. Then later, when she is able to concentrate again she goes back to the room she was studying in and continues to study again. "I think memorization is a very good study habit because if you memorize things you will be able to remember the information better. It especially helps when you have to take a review test later on because you will remember memorizing the information and it will help when you are studying," Welch says.

So although studying isn't that much fun it will pay off later on down the road. ~ Laura Soliva

Walt Disney's first viewing of *Mickey Mouse* was viewed with sound.

1928

Sophomore Emily Cutka watches the flame under the bunsen burner for her 2nd hour chemistry lab. The lab was designed to find the melting point of chemicals. "I liked the lab because it was more fun than sitting in a desk taking notes," Cutka said.

What Was Your Favorite Lab?



"In AP Bio, a lab on Gel Electrophoresis with [graduate] Pat McCarney. It's a lab on DNA clusters. We calculated like 1000% error on the lab, but it was exciting anyways."

~ Keenan Hecht, senior



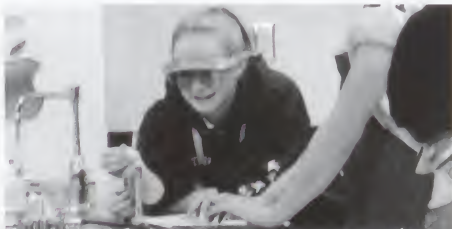
"In foods when we got to make Thanksgiving dinner. It was awesome! Mmmm... food."

~ Bridgett Vechey, sophomore



"When we took different unknowns and tested them to find out what they were made up of. It made you think the most and it was fun using the bunsen burners."

~ Andrew McMullin, sophomore



Lyndley Clarkson

Sophomore Joy Helfen examines the chemical reaction in her chemistry flame test lab. "The lab was interesting because it helped explain the material because you could see it happening," Helfen said.

Sophomores Brandon Veronesi and Brian Bell wait as their test tubes heat up for their biology lab. The lab was meant to show what unknown substances were made up of. Students were given 20 unknowns and there were seven different tests for the unknowns.



Forrest Gregg, NFL tackle, was born on October 18th. Gregg played for the Green Bay Packers and the Dallas Cowboys and went into the football hall of fame.

On January 17th Shari Lewis, puppeteer and creator of Lamb Chop, was born.

The Golden Gate Bridge went under construction on January 5th. When completed, it was said to be an engineering marvel.

Learn With Labs!

Dissecting frogs, chemical reactions, and cell projects are all names and types of labs that you will most likely encounter while taking a science class at Griffith High School.

Teachers like to have a new way to get their students attention in class. They have students do labs to have a change in environment, and so that the students can see the results to the examples themselves. "I like labs because they are more hands on and not as boring as the typical lectures. I think over time, the students' grades improve the more labs they are exposed to," Julie Wencloff, science, said.

As a G.H.S. student, you will take at least two years of any science class. The teachers will have different ways of teaching in order to get the students' attention and labs (and projects) are a good way to challenge the students while having fun with them. In the years of science class you will have labs like a Bubble Gum Lab, which is a lab where students test bubble gum, and a flame test, which the students look at how flames react to different chemicals.

Teachers have seen that many more students are enjoying labs more than ordinary lectures. "I like labs better because you get to work with a partner and you never have to have to do the work at home," sophomore Amy Baran said.

But labs aren't fun for everyone. Some students simply enjoy reading out of the books and listening to the teacher's lectures. Sophomore Michael White said, "Sometimes labs have subjects that don't interest me and are a waste of my time."

For the most part students have seemed to like participating in labs better than listening to the teachers lecture on certain topics or watch boring movies that no one really pays any attention to.

— Lauren Becze



Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

Seniors Tom Cunningham and Belinda Sendejas watch as senior Amber Tolson launches off their rocket for the rocket lab in Physics. The lab was designed to measure the third vector of projectiles.

Wiley Post began the first solo flight around the world on July 15th

On October 12th, John Dillinger escaped from the Allen County, Ohio, Jail.

The first speaking clock came into operation in the Paris area on Valentine's Day.

1933

Did you mind the Summer Reading Requirement?



"I just don't like to read, whether it's for school or not."

~ Alex Pierson, sophomore



"It really doesn't matter to me. I just like to read, and if the books are already picked out for you it's even better."

~ Amber Tolson, senior



"I like to read, I just don't like to be told when to read. I like to pick my own books and read them at my own rate."

~ Alan Kus, sophomore



Lyndley Clarkson

Sophomores, Caitlin Terpstra and Joy Helfen, catch up on their AP English reading assignment during the twenty minutes of sustained silent reading. The SSR program, designed to bring more reading into students' lives, was started in 2001.



The Great Dustbowl storm occurred.



Griffith's Football Team

Bonnie and Clyde were shot in an early morning police raid.



John Dillinger was shot outside of Chicago's Biograph Theater

"I really don't like SSR days because they make fourth hour twenty minutes longer," said sophomore Lauren Csonka. In order to fit the extra twenty minutes into the daily schedule all classes were shortened.

Sitting in the library, sophomore John Sellins, finishes up his summer reading assignment. This school year marked the first year that all students were given a summer reading assignment which counted for twenty percent of their English grade.



Krzysztof Zembrowski

Barbeques, Beaches, and Books

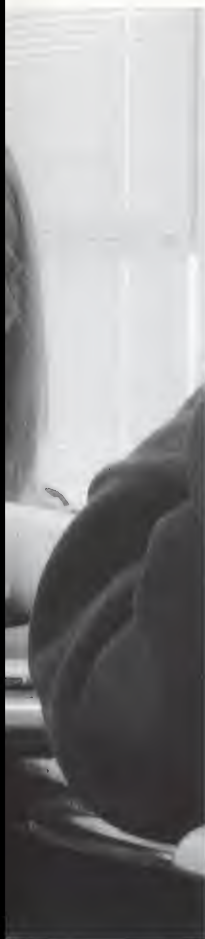
By: Bobby Bridegroom

Students always get that feeling of relief when they return from their Christmas breaks and realize that their long school year is coming to an anticipating end and the eagerly awaited summer is rolling just around the corner. They think finally no more homework until next school year. Well, since the summer reading program started and is in effect students are taking another guess to their relaxing homework free summer. The summer reading program started this past 2002-2003 summer, and some students were not thrilled. Even though the summer reading program is meant to be beneficial and educational to students, some decided to take the path of procrastination and forget to read their summer reading books. Sophomore Brandon Carpenter was one of the many to forget about summer reading.

"I forgot to read, and didn't start until the last minute," said Carpenter. A popular book read by students was *Brian's Song*, even though it was watched more then read. Senior Eric Arcella was part of the large percent to read *Brian's Song*. "I watched the movie *Brian's Song*. The movie was pretty interesting," said Arcella.

Some students such as freshman, Molly Orzechowicz, an AP English student, had to read two books over the summer for the summer reading program. "I had to read *Fahrenheit 451*, which was hard to understand, and *Falling Leaves*, which was good, but too long," said Orzechowicz. Orzechowicz, like other students wasn't fond of the summer reading they had to do. "It was difficult because it's summer and it's my time to do what I want. It's not too bad, but it was upsetting knowing I had to read, do questions, and write essays during my summer," said Orzechowicz.

Sophomore Brandon Carpenter said, "I don't think over the summer we should have to do school work." Carpenter has strong feelings about Sustained Silent Reading and the required summer reading program.



Lyndley Clarkson

The US government opened Alcatraz on San Francisco Bay.



Griffin High School

Nobel Prize winner, Marie Curie died of leukemia.

2500 fans came to see Babe Ruth's farewell game against Boston.

1934

Laughing on the bus on the way home from watching *The Lion King*, juniors Kevin Torok and Brett Newman sit tight. "The entire trip was great until the ride home," said Newman. "It took forever because of all of the traffic."



Snoozing on the way to an ACES fieldtrip, sophomore Joy Helfen listens to her music. Getting to and from destinations can take a long time so students had to find ways to occupy themselves.



Sweet, Sublime Sovereignty

Initially when thinking of field trips, the idea of young kids boarding a bus and getting ready to have a fun-filled day comes to mind. Field trips in high school are slightly different, they are usually educational. Most of the time teachers don't participate in field trips unless they are head of an after school activity. Margie Keithley, textiles and interior design teacher, is known for her great field trips.

Not only are there clubs that attend field trips, but also there are classes that do the same. Junior, Sarah Zajac, who participates in the fairly new, child development class, went on a field trip. The class visited the St. Anthony's Birthing Center to witness how a birth is carried out. Also, the class went to a Headstart program, located at a few local elementary schools.

"It was great to have the opportunity to get to visit the birthing center and also visit the young kids," Zajac said.

The kids and the students had a chance to interact and visit with each other for a short time.

"I definitely thought that it was exciting and I was glad that I was able to go," said Zajac.

Brittany Miller, a junior, was also able to go on the trip. "I was a little worried about the birthing center, but it ended up being pretty interesting," said Miller.

Field trips are definitely one of the things that students enjoy about school. They almost always mean a day away, and that is enjoyed by the students. They are a tiny break in their week, a change from the everyday routine that so many students get extremely tired of, and it is appreciated. Many schools have stopped their students from taking field trips. Griffith has not stopped teachers and sponsors from taking their students to various locations. The day away from school is still sacred here at Griffith.

— Elise Dixon

The rare 1935 Ford Roadster Deluxe. There were only 4,996 made.



Les Miserables was released onto the silver screen.



Elvis Presley was born on January 8, in Tupelo, Mississippi.

Where have you been?



"My government class went to the Lake County Courthouse and got to participate in our own mock trial. It was my favorite trip because it's the only one I've gone on and we were able to be involved."

—Belinda Sendejas, senior

"I loved when some of the FCCLA students went up to Chicago to give homeless people blankets and boots. I liked to see their faces when we helped them."

—Cassandra Johnstone, sophomore



"My favorite field trip was in May. Some of the ACES students and I went to Wolf Park. We were able to learn about the wolves in their habitats."

—Teresa Ramos, librarian

Finally finding something to keep herself occupied, sophomore Sidney Covert peers into a giant fish tank. "Before we all went to watch a show, we went to eat at the Rainforest Cafe," said Covert. "The guy was cleaning the fish tank and it was something to do and watch."



Waiting for a seat in the Rainforest Cafe, senior David Milanez and junior Claudio Gurrola check out their surroundings. "Everyone asked me about the Dr. Suess hats, but to tell you the truth I didn't even see them hanging there," said Gurrola.

Looking out below, freshman Kevin Meece and Jessica Gerlich wait for the line to move. "I really enjoyed the theatre. Inside it was so pretty and elaborately decorated," said Gerlich. "I didn't like how we had to sit so far up though."

Al Capone was "enjoying" his first year in Alcatraz prison.



Amelia Earhart became the first person to fly solo from Hawaii to California.

1935

Bob Hastings' second hour world history class, which only has nineteen students in it, waits for the bell to ring. "I was supposed to have thirty students in second hour, but ten of them never showed up and one of them was transferred to another class," said Hastings.

Notorious Numbers

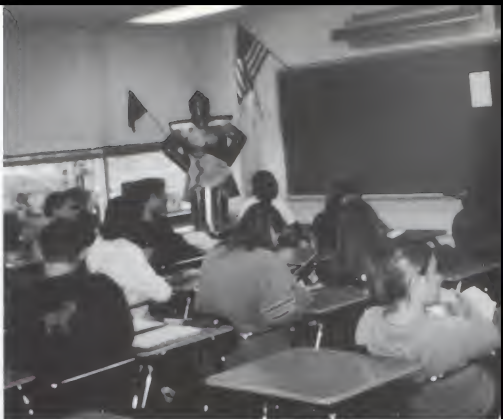
You walk into class the first day of school and it's overflowing with students. You look for extra space to sit, but you can't really find one. Reversing the scenario, maybe you walk into class and there's only a dozen students besides yourself. Class sizes range widely this year. From being really small to overflowing, the concern may be that some students aren't learning as much as they could be.

This year it seems that the science classes are greatly larger than some other class subjects. Biology classes range from about 27-30 students, making it difficult for lab work. Julie Wencloff, science, said that her largest class, seventh hour earth science, has 30 students in it. "When class size is large there are more questions and concerns and not enough time to address them," Wencloff said. "Also I can't give individual students the help that they need or require to do better in school."

Other large classes are the foreign language classes. Katie Bonnan, Spanish, said that her largest class has 34 students in it. Her smallest class, holding 29 students, isn't too tiny either. Bonnan said that more teachers would help lower the amount of students in a certain classroom. She said that it's harder to reach a class so large as opposed to one that has a fewer amount of students. "You're pulled in more directions. Grading takes forever." The large class size limits Bonnan on class activities also. "The way I like to play games, I can't do as many," said Bonnan.

What is the perfect number for a healthy classroom environment? Sophomore Mi'cheal Wilderness said that she felt 10 is a perfect number. Junior Jon Dirst said that he feels 15 is sufficient. Wencloff goes a little higher, saying, "I think that 20-23 is a perfect number. You have enough students for group activities and labs, but you don't have too many that it is overcrowded."

— Ashley Cogdill



Amee Palmer



The last wild camel is seen in Nevada.

Joe DiMaggio began playing center field for the New York Yankees.

Bob's Big Boy opened as the first drive-in restaurant

What is your biggest class?



"My biggest class is English, 4th hour. There is at least thirty people in there."
—Josh Bridegroom, senior



Mrs. [Katherine] Martinez's 1st hour class is huge. Every seat in that class is filled. My 7th hour class is full too."
—Jaimie Scholte, sophomore

Students waste some time before they start their class in APC. "The notorious sound Of Russ Radtke's keys made students scramble to the machine of choice. I only have three classes that have any seats left and they are still big classes," said sophomore Jessica Koch.



Juniors Shannon Trauscht, Elissa Heidler and senior Rachel Chandler listen closely during a jewelry class. Jim Graff's class has twenty-three students, which seems to accommodate him with comfort. Art classes are usually more laid back and students tend to move around more.

While it seems like most classes were totally packed this year there were a few that barely had any students in them. Sophomore Caitlin Terpstra works on a project in Jason Cast's sixth hour class, which only had about twenty students in it.



Amie Palmer

On the first day of school two extra desks had to be brought into Jane Kohanyi-Villaroman's first hour chemistry class in order to accommodate all of the students. Three students have moved to another class since then to make a little more space.

Margaret Mitchell published "Gone with the Wind" in New York.

Hart Schaffner introduced pants with a zip-up fly.

1936

The Worst Ways to Study

What are the first things that come to mind when someone says the words bad study habits? Most people automatically think of not doing any homework, sleeping in class, or just not studying before a big test. Students find a variety of ways to get out of doing as much school work as possible, as often as they can. Is it really worth it though? Think about it, if students choose not to do their homework, or not to take notes in class, who really suffers in the long run?

"I'll start watching television, while I'm trying to do my homework, and end up just not doing it," said freshman Jessica Simpson. Actually completing the homework students are given is one of the best ways to prepare for a test and bring a grade up in a class.

Most teachers agreed that in the past three years they have been giving more and more zeros on homework. "Students just try to get as much done in class as they can and then turn that in for at least some of the points," said Kay Orzechowicz, English.

"I guess my worst study habits are the nonexistent type, because I just don't study," said sophomore Dayna Johnson. Not studying before a big test is more common than most people think.

"I hardly ever study for tests until two minutes before it," said Simpson.

"It is really kind of frustrating when a student could get straight A's but they don't study and they end up getting C's or D's. Then there are the students who study and study, but they still cannot manage to get anything higher than a C," said Orzechowicz.

While sleeping in class has always been unacceptable some teachers just saw it as if the students fall asleep then they are the ones missing out. There are still some exceptions. "Mainly during algebra and biology is when I fall asleep," Johnson said, "I just don't have the motivation to stay awake during some classes."

Orzechowicz said, "If a student falls asleep during my class I usually wake them up, unless they are not feeling good, and it is something that is just completely out of character for them."

~ Amie Palmer



Spacing out in Spanish, sophomore Sidney Govert, sits staring at the wall. "Even staring at the wall is more interesting than that class," said Govert. "and that is really bad, because all there is on the wall is Spanish posters and colored paper. How fun is that?"

Sophomore Ashley Stevens sleeps in Katherine Martinez's first hour spanish class. "Sometimes I just can't keep my eyes open in the morning," said Stevens. "I just stay up too late and Spanish isn't the most interesting class in the world to have first hour."



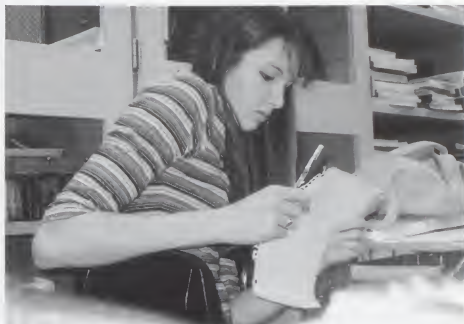
Amelia Earhart's plane goes down some 35-100 miles off the coast of Howland Island.

The New York Yankees defeat the New York Giants (4-1) to win the World Series.

Disney releases Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs during Christmas.

Sophomores Bobby Bridegroom and Brandon Pollard practice some of their bad study habits, while arm wrestling, when their teacher is looking away. "We get bored," said Bridegroom. "Next time we will play tic-tac-toe."

Sophomore Kristen Mathews sits reading a note in Jane Kohanyi-Villaroman's Chemistry class. "That class is not that bad, but I just had to take a few minutes to read this," said Mathews, "if it was that bad I would have been dead asleep."



What Are Your Bad Study Habits?



"I start to study, but then I just get bored and stop."

~ Brenda Bernotus, senior



"I don't take notes. I don't see the point, and even if I did, I am probably too lazy to actually do it."

~ Brandon Jackson, junior



"The worst thing that I do during class is put my make-up on, or fix my hair. It's the easiest way to not get so bored."

~ Claudia Rybacki, sophomore



The "little steel strike" shuts down dozens of plants in seven states affecting 90,000 workers.

There were more labor strikes in 1937 than in any previous year. More than 4000 strikes occurred costing 28.4 million man-days of work.

1937



Orson Welles broadcasted the radio show adaption H.G. Wells "War of the Worlds." An alarmed audience heard an invasion begin in Grover's Mill, NJ.

100 Ways to...

Win

Purpose. There's a purpose to everything we do in life. And there's a purpose to play high school sports. Some students play to have fun, some to get in shape, some to be with their friends. Then, there are those those that play to win.

Senior Danny Blount has one thing on his mind when he steps out onto the field to play soccer, winning. "I work hard so that we can win the game," Blount said.

So what are students doing to win? Senior Charity Bryan tries to get her head in the game before she even attempts to throw a shot put or discus before a track meet. "I try to prepare myself mentally and get into focus," Bryan said. "The day before a meet I usually throw only a couple of times and then I try to relax the rest of the day so that I'm not tired for the meet."

Trying to clear her mind is hard for Bryan. "Right before I throw I try not to think about how I am going to do," Bryan said, "because the more I concentrate on the threat the more I psych myself out."

But Bryan and the team do try to get the adrenaline flowing on the way to the meets. "Usually on the way to the meet we listen to music to get ourselves pumped."

—Christina Boncela



Drake Bistrow

Tying to block the ball in the first quarter senior Colin Stage plays at a home basketball game against Highland. Stage has played basketball since elementary school at St. Mary's. Swimming for her first year freshman Ashley Naggy competes in the hundred yard breast stroke at girls conference.



Drake Bistrow

In Hollywood, David O. Selznick chooses an obscure British actress to play Scarlett O'Hara in *Gone with the Wind*.

The first attempt to make a movie about the sunken ocean liner "Titanic" was made by David O. Selznick, who hired Alfred Hitchcock to direct his film.

1938

Then



Cross Country team 1943



Betty Phillips 1955



Richard Connells 1970



Sandra Daps 1983



First Row(l-r): Josh Cunningham, Matthew Mellon, Tom Cunningham, Mark Bowron Second Row: Arkadiusz Ryzak, Head Coach Eric Schilling, Luis Villarreal



First Row(l-r): Lauren Massa, Sarah Williams, Julie Cservenak, Laura Matovina, Belinda Sendejas Second Row: Rosalinda Sendejas, Head Coach Eric Schilling, Kristen Mathews

Crossing Over!

compiled by: Lauren Becze

Scoreboard

Girls

L-Riverside Park	6th	L-Andean	14th	L-Kankakee Valley	5th
L-Lake Station	7th	L-Well	6th	L-Oak Ridge	6th
L-Kankakee Valley	7th	L-Hammond	7th	L-New Prairie	13th
L-Oak Ridge	6th	L-Lemon Lake	-	L-Highland	17th
L-New Prairie	16th			L-Hobart	15th
L-Highland	19th			L-Andean	16th
L-Hobart	16th	L-Riverside Park	4th	L-Well	5th
		L-Lake Station	6th	L-Hammond	5th

1st team all conference- Rosalinda Sendejas 11



Germany invaded Poland.

Germany and the Soviet Union signed the Warsaw pact, which kept the Soviet Union out of World War 2.

France and Great Britain declared war on Germany.



Drake Bistrow

The girl's cross country team starts a race together. "I started running because I've been doing it since I was a kid, and it's a good way to workout," senior Belinda Sendejas said. "My favorite memory was at the Andean Invite when Tommy Cunningham pulled Lauren Massa to see how far she could stretch."

Taking a jog the boy's cross country team runs together around town to practice. "I joined cross country because my brother Tommy made me join. He told me to join because it's a great way to meet people and a good way to exercise, and the coaches are great," sophomore Josh Cunningham said.



Lyndley Clarkson

W.H. Auden won nobel peace award.

Now



Lauren Massa 10



Tommy Cunningham 12



Julie Cservenak 11



Josh Cunningham 10

1939

New York's World Fair started this year.

Then



Bob Deedrick 1979

Junior Jon Ashenbaugh gets ready to return a serve during the Griffith vs. Hanover meet. "I really enjoyed this year's season especially because I did so much better than my previous year," said Ashenbaugh.

Junior Mark Harnew returns the ball during a tennis match. "Tennis is my favorite sport, so when the fall season comes I am always excited because tennis is the only sport I play. I really like the challenge tennis gives me," said Harnew.



Chris Swatts 1991



Bob Hedges 1985



Kent Bobos 1976



Lyndley Clarkson

Freshman Matt Kuna and the rest of the team stand around and listen for their coach Tracey Sines to give them the line up for their awaited matches. "This was my first year on any tennis team and it was a great experience," said Kuna



Victor Mature temporarily left retirement to provide assistance to N.A.S.A.

President Theodor Roosevelt threw his first ceremonial pitch to open the 1940 baseball season.

William Griffith died at Laguna Beach on May 25.

Causin' a Raquet!

compiled by: Bobby Bridgroom

Scoreboard

Wheeler	5-0	Highland	5-0	Calumet	5-0
Portage	5-0	Lowell	5-0	Hobart	5-0
Lake Station	4-1	River Forest	5-0	Bishop Noll	4-1
Kankakee Valley	5-0	Munster	5-0	Morton	5-0
Clark	4-1	Andrean	5-0		

Most Valuable Player- Jon Ashenbaugh

Most Improved- Matt Kuna

Best Mental Attitude-Mark Harnew



First Row(l-r): Brad Popa, Matt Kuna, Adam Brandner, Coach Tracey Sines



Lyndley Clarkson

Sophomore Arkadiusz Ryzak attempts to return a volley hit by the opposing player during a match. "Tennis is a big thing in my family and they were really proud to know that I decided to take up tennis," said Ryzak.

Now



Jon Ashenbaugh 11



Adam Brandner 10



Mike Albright 11



Jeff Martin 11

Lyndley Clarkson

Lyndley Clarkson

John Ford wrote the world wide known book "The Grapes of Wrath."

The original *Mark of Zorro* starring Louis Wolheim was made.

Dr. Harold Griffith discovered the practice of anesthesiology.

1940

Then



Michelle Gaddini 2000



Misty Parent 1995



Juliann Gajewski 2000



Stephanie Dominguez 1996

Sophomore Alicia Kielbasa kicks the ball towards the goal. Kielbasa joined soccer to stay in shape and also because it's fun. She's been playing soccer for GHS for two years. Her favorite part of the year was senior night because "the seniors got to score."

Senior Brenda Bernotus swiftly blocks her opponent at the game against Hammond High. Bernotus says she's the comic relief on the team. "We're like the three musketeers, except more than three. Without the musketeers, there would be no Camelot," she said.

Senior Jackie Kobeska prepares to expertly smash the soccer ball towards her destination. Kobeska considers herself an important member of the team. "I think everyone is important" Kobeska said. "It's a team sport, not just an individual sport."



Lyndey Clarkson



Lyndey Clarkson



Lyndey Clarkson

Sophomore Caitlin Terpstra scrambles to get to the ball before Griffith's opponents. Only her second year in high school soccer, Terpstra believes team effort is the only way you win a game. "My favorite part of the year was when Brenda mooned everyone," said Terpstra.



First Row(l-r): Belinda Sendejas, Jacquelyn Jennifer Perez, Allyson Laurencell, Trista Guerra
Second Row(l-r): Lauren Clark, Megan Sudac, Bernotus, Abby Hinchy, Mallory Gatlin, Darcy
Third Row(l-r): Coleen Vechey, Catlin Terpstra, Joseph, Raul Dominguez, Alicia Kielbasa, Rosalinda Ralph Alvarez,



Showing their school spirit, L. Govert and R. Golf pose for the Reflector.

The Chemistry and Physics teacher also taught math during the school year.

In 1941, Griffith High School was what is now Franklin Elementary.



There were 60 GHS band members accounted for in the year 1941



Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

Junior Rosie Sendejas bumps the ball off of her chest at a home game vs. Hammond High one afternoon. Sendejas helped Griffith's team win seven games during the course of this year.

Now



Rosie Sendejas 11
Belinda Sendejas 12



Lauren Clark 10



Rosie Sendejas 11



Charlotte Joseph 11

Kickin' it in!

compiled by: Ashley Cogdill

Scoreboard

Morton	4-1	Gavit	8-0
Boone Groove	4-1	Hobart	0-1
Clark	9-0	Crown Point	0-6
Chesterton	0-6	Munster	0-4
Highland	4-Mar	Concord	0-4
Hebron	8-0	Bishop Noll	8-0
Andean	3-9	Lowell	1-2
Merrillville	2-1	EC Central	8-0

Sectionals Crown Point 1-4



Kobeszka,

Brenda
Govert,
Charlotte
Sendajas,



C. Yates posing for the yearbook in 1941.

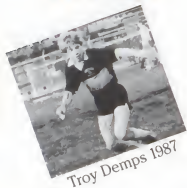


The junior play cast during the spring play in 1941.

The Boys' Club during 1941 consisted of boys in the sophomore and junior classes. This organization promoted good-fellowship, loyalty, school spirit, and cooperation between students and teachers.

1941

Then



Troy Demps 1987



Jude Popyk 1987



Soccer Team 1987



Rich Phillips 1987

Junior Joseph Wagman kicks a goal between his defenders hands. "I think our team did well this year. We came out with a strong start," said Wagman. Wagman hopes to get further next year.



Lyndley Clarkson



First Row(l-r): Justin Lynn, Danny Blount, Matt Denny, Timothy Garibay, Claudio Gurrola
Second Row: Bradley Beigle, Matthew Gurrola, Ryan Walsh, Ryan Fentress, Sean Hansen
Third Row: Sasha Dubieowski, Noah Zemke, Aleksander Subotic, Patrick Broderick, Joseph Wagman, Larry Walsh, Ron Knestric

Go for the goal!

complied by: Kendra Terzarial

Scoreboard

Hammond	5-2	East Chicago	2-1	Laporte	5-1
Hobart	1-0	Lake Central	4-0	Munster	3-0
Chesterton	2-0	Higland	2-0	Andrean	3-0
Kankakee Valley	7-0	Morton	3-2	Wheeler	5-0
Gavit	2-0	Boone Groove	0-0	Sectionals	
Clark	7-0	Bishop Noll	3-2	Merrillville	2-0

1st team all conference- Danny Blount 12
Honorable Mention- Claudio Gurrola 11, Larry Walsh 12,
Matt Denny 12, Ryan fentress10

In Griffith the school had a safety patrol team to help kids cross the street.

Griffith High School had hall monitors and hall patrol to keep halls in order.



Griffith High School had a Student Council Legislative Body.

Now



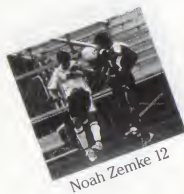
Ryan Fentress 10



Claudio Gurrola 11



Larry Walsh 12



Noah Zemke 12

Junior Aleksander Subotic on defense holds back one of his defenders. "In this scene I used my supreme defensive skills," Subotic said. "I stole the ball and held my man to zero goals!" Subotic did well on defense this year.

Junior Claudio Gurrola attempts to make a move to steal the ball away from a defender. This is Gurrola's third year playing for the soccer team. The boys hope to win sectionals next year.

Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

Passing the ball, senior Justin Lynn gives the ball to another teammate. "I've been playing soccer since I was five years old," said Lynn. "I think one of the best moments was when I scored the winning goal against Cavit this year."

Lyndley Clarkson

GHS didn't have many athletics. They only had football, basketball, and cheerleaders.



The high school was made up of seventh and eighth graders also.

1942

Then



Angie Covarrubias 1987



1994



Tammy Huzzie 1984



Lou Ann Gates 1974



First Row(l-r): Alicia Staes, Kaitlyn O'Brien, Laura Pinkerton, Sofia Aguilar, Joy Helfen
Second Row: Brittany Clark, Elise Garcia, Erica Naaman, Jessica Banke, Christina Valtierra, Tarin Blythe
Third Row: Coach Karen Pinkerton, Lisa Worley, Coach Don Whittemore, Kristi Hoesle, Coach Joanne Joyce

Servin' it Up!

compiled by: Shannon Henderson

Scoreboard

Merrillville	L	Munster	L	SB Washington	L
E C Central	W	Clark	W	Calumet	L
Morton	L	Andrean	L	Gavit	W
North Newton	L	Hobart	L	Wheeler	L
Hanover Central	L	Boone Grove	L	Highland	L
Lowell	L	Hanover Central	L	Hebron	L
Hammond	W	Gavit	L	Lake Station	W
Kankakee	L	Calumet	L	River Forest	W
SB St. Joe	L	Bishop Noll	L	Calumet	L
Laf. Central Catholic	L	Whiting	W	Clark	W
Morton	L	New Prairie	L	Morton	L
Washington Township	L	LaVille	W		

Final Conference Record and Place: 4-3
IHSAA Tourney Results: Sectional Runner-up

Churchill and Roosevelt hold
Casablanca Conference.

The president freezes prices, salaries, and
wages to prevent inflation. Income tax
withholding introduced.

The Pentagon is completed and becomes
the largest office building in the world.

Diving for the ball on the newly refinished gym floor, Junior Kaitlyn O'Brien lays it all out making sure that the volleyball does not hit the floor. "Thank God for knee pads," laughs O'Brien. "I would constantly be bruised up if we didn't use them."

Getting ready to bump the ball up, sophomore Joy Helfen, positions herself to bump the volleyball over the net in our schools main gym, during a scrimmage between other teammates.



Lyndley Clarkson

Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

Radio classic Amos 'n' Andy is canceled after 15 years and more than 4,000 consecutive shows.

Now



Erica Naaman 12



Jessica Banke 12



Don Whittemore
Laura Pinkerton 12



Erica Naaman 12

1943

The Chinese Exclusion Acts of 1882 and 1902 are repealed permitting immigration and naturalization of Chinese.

New York Yankees won the World Series against the Saint Louis Cardinals 4-1.

Then



Mike Blythe 1977



Football Team 1952



Coach Kurth 1965



Football Team 1950

Senior John Schultz prepares to block for the Panthers in their preseason scrimmage against Merrillville. Schultz played both offense and defense for the Panthers this year, and also won the LAC all conference team award.

The Panthers line up for an offensive play in the sectional championship against Andean. The Panthers fell to Andean 16-14 in the final minute of the game. Andean vs. Griffith games have always been close in the past.



Unke Bistrow



First Row (l-r): Joey Cap, Justen Culp, David Melton, Brett Hill, Anthony Zarandt, Garry Ciesco, Danny Lewis, Greg Joyce
 Second Row: Eric Arcella, Matt Perez, Brandon Pollard, Eric Ritter, Jake Gazarkiewicz, Mark Hill, Brian Bell, Drew Rogowski, Matt Alvarez
 Third Row: Jarrod Macak, Thomas Lancker, William McMullin, Nick Choate, Jack Kosinski, Tom Knoerzer, Chris Brown, Eric Romesburg, Justin Lageslee
 Fourth Row: Nathan Lehmann, Joe Ferguson, Eric Andree, Mike Cuneo, Jason Gkanowski, Andy Euber, Drew Thomas, Josh Gonzalas,
 Fifth Row: Aaron Ricks, Matt Denny, Adam Longoria, Jim Anderson, Colby Lamb, Rob Buehler, Hunter Rogowski, Tommy Doppler, Antonio Logan
 Sixth Row: Matt Nellerman, Chris Baccino, Chris Mansanarez, Bobby Rockwell, Aaron Cavazos, Matt Volies, Rich Lehmann, John Schultz
 Seventh Row: Jesse Homoky, Nick Lam-Chi, Marc Mordmlovich, Alex Pierson, Colin Stage, Ben Geffert, Shawn Ramsey
 Eighth Row: Alex Brandon, Jim Pickett, Chris Speigal, Steve Holzbach, Russ Radtke, Mike Worasz, Bo Radtke, Ted White, Bill Laviolette

The United States Supreme Court rules insurance is an interstate commerce.

June 6, 1944, allied divisions landed on Normandy Beach in France known as D-Day.

The US airforce flying B-29 bombers began strategic bombing raids against Japan.

Tackling it!

compiled by: Megan Sudac

Scoreboard

Bishop Noll	49-0	W*	Hammond	57-7	W*
Chesterton	20-32	L	Andrean	27-28	L
Lowell	0-33	L	Hobart	35-39	W
Munster	42-49	L	Clark	56-0	W
Morton	49-28	W*	Gavit	60-18	W
Highland	14-7	W*	Andrean	14-16	L

* indicates the team lost by forfeit

Now



Chris Baccino 12



Russ Radtke Coach



Danny Lewis 11



Nick Choate 12



Senior full back Chris Baccino tries to catch his balance while he is being taken down by a Merrillville defender in the preseason scrimmage held at Griffith. Griffith did not face Merrillville in the regular season.

Senior running back Jack Kosinski attempts to run the ball through the middle while being pulled down by Munster defenders. Kosinski led the team in rushing yards and touchdowns this year, he was also a LAC first team selection.

Vice President Henry A. Wallace was replaced by Senator Harry S. Truman of Missouri.

German forces made a surprise attack against US forces in Belgium known as Battle of the Bulge.

Franklin D. Roosevelt planned to run for a fourth term.

1944

Before



L. Govert 1941



Mary Ann Hilbrich 1955



Lynn Schreiner 1965



Terry Patton 1974

The Pantherettes practice hard before their first competition date to work out some last minute kinks. The girls practice long hours after school and on the weekends to get their routines down to a "T" to be ready for performances.



Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

Seniors Katie Govert and Kaleigh Kistler lead the the kindergarten girls that signed up for the Little Girls Camp during a half time at a varsity boys basketball game. The Pantherettes' have been sponsoring the little girls camp for over 12 years.

The varsity cheerleaders show some of their school spirit by yelling out loudly together during one of the girls home basketball games. The cheerleaders often went to the games to show support for the girls teams.



World War II officially ends September 2, 1945 when the Japanese government signs surrender documents.

Truman becomes President of the U.S. on account of Roosevelt's death, and Attee replaces Churchill.

Japan surrenders on August 14 after atomic bombs are dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Senior Lauren Convery gets lifted in a liberty while doing a heel stretch during a time out at one of the boy's varsity basketball games. Convery has been cheering since 8th grade and was secretary for the varsity cheerleading squad.

Yellin' it out!

compiled by: Megan Sudac



First Row(l-r): Julie Sims, Amber Kasbohm, Christina Boncela, Lauren Convery; **Second Row:** Zach Stevens, Ashley Burch, Wendy Holmes, Joanna Tinich, Brittany Miller, Caitlin Dudley, Doug Abbott; **Third Row:** Tabitha Minton, Ashley Schaller, Amy Baran, Erin Alley, Crystal Gonzalez



First Row(l-r): Melissa Miecznikowski, Emily Etheridge, Allie Woloszyn, Katie Gover; **Second Row:** Elise Dixon, Melissa Wilczynski, Kristen Schultz, Kaleigh Kistler, Taylor Morton; **Third Row:** Kelly Redden, Christina Lozano, Jessica Phillips, Samantha Bartog

Now



Amber Kasbohm 12



Crystal Gonzalez 10



Christina Boncela 12



Amy Baran 10

Auschwitz was liberated
by the Soviet troops.

Hitler commits suicide, and
Germany surrenders on May 7.

The first computer
bug was found by
Grace Murray Hopper.

1945

Then



Football team 1946



Football 1954



Football team 1946



Cross Country 1951



The first class to graduate under the North Central Association was the class of 1946.

Running hard down the field junior Charlotte Joseph dribbles the ball as fast as she can to try and make a goal at the Hammond High Junior varsity soccer game. Joseph's favorite game this season was the one against Highland because it was a challenge and it went into overtime.



Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

Sophomore Tim Ganbay tries to prevent his opponent from getting the soccer ball at a varsity soccer game against Chesterton. Ganbay's favorite thing about this season was that it was his first year playing on the varsity soccer team and it was a lot of fun.

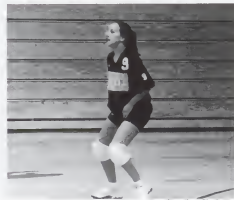
Junior Shellane Gomez waits for the volleyball to get over the volleyball net. She first joined volleyball because she told her friend Lisa Dimos that she would go to the try outs with her. This was Gomez's first year playing on the volleyball team.



First Row(l-r): Nathan Vaughan, Zoran Kvirgic, Steve Fuoss, Frank Alvarez
Second Row: Andrew Mazur, Josh Mercer, Tim Hall, Casey Colby
Third Row: Jordan Bruno, Kyle Palinca, Coach Sasho Adam Gasper, Matt Gurrola



First Row(l-r): Sarah Zajac, Amanda Uram, Karolina Second Row: Martina Rybacki, Elissa Heidler, Amy Miles, Sara Brines
Third Row: Coach Raul Dominguez, Coach Collen Vechey, Megan Swanson, Dana Collins, Jessica Kich, Coach Ralph Manager Jessica Bogner



Lyndley Clarkson



There were 72 seniors pictured in the 1946 yearbook. In 2003's graduating class there were 161 pictured seniors.



Gene's Barber Shop

Falling in!

compiled by: Laura Solivais



First Row (l-r): Nicole Rodgers, Lisa Dimos, Molly Orzechowicz, Annie Hernandez,
Second Row: Tara Malewicki, Carolyn Salczynski, Elise Garcia, Natalie Bermudez,
Shellane Gomez
Third Row: Coach Karen Pinkerton, Krista Glidewell, Veronica Cook, Amanda
MacFarlane, Coach Don Whittemore



Krzysztof Zembrowski

Kicking the ball back onto the field freshman Zoran Kviric passes the ball to freshman James Bobowski. Kviric was moved up to play a few games on varsity after doing well on the JV team. Bobowski didn't start to play JV until midway through the season.

Sophomore Brandon Pollard and junior Mike Cuneo listen to their coach talk after the East Chicago junior varsity Football game. One of Pollard's goals this season was to win because "when you are in a game you are playing for fun, but you also want to win."



Lyndley Clarkson

Now



Garry Ciesco 11



Zoran Kviric 9



Drew Rogowski 10



Carolyn Salczynski 10

The Library Club provided a story hour service for small children.

1946

A plaque dedicated to those members and graduates of G.H.S. who served in World War II



Then

Settin' records

compiled by: Bobby Bridegroom

Scoreboard

Highland	L	Lowell Invite	1 st
Hobart	W	Kankakee Valley	W
Rensselaer	W	Crown Point	L
Munster	L	Noll	W
Merrillville	W	Clark	W
Calumet	W	Wheeler	W
Morton	W	Lowell	W

CONFERENCE 4TH PLACE SECTIONALS 3RD PLACE



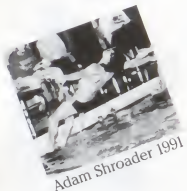
Rod Wilson 1966



Paul Mount 1983



Greg Blanchard 1967



Adam Shroader 1991



Drake Bistrow

Junior Michael Albright swims vigorously in his lane during the 100-yard backstroke for the Panthers. This was Albright's second year of swimming for the varsity team and his third season swimming for Griffith.



The senior class motto was "we climb though the rocks be rugged."

President of the school board was Ralph J. Dixon.

Griffith High School



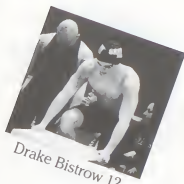
The Truman administration began.

Sophomore Andrew Vaclavik gulps in his few breaths of air while he competes in the 50 yard freestyle during the sectional meet. Vaclavik, as well as most of the swimmers, shaved their heads for the sectional meet to show school spirit and represent their school.



First Row(l-r): Andre Rodgers, Luis Villarreal, Michael Albright, Jeffery Martin
Second Row(coach) Jerime Wargo, Drake Bistrow, Nicholas Kitner, Bradley Glidewell, Jimmy Long, (coach) Russel Romelfanger
Third Row Kevin Meece, Bradley Connell, Matthew Vaclavik, Andrew Vaclavik, Steven Byrns

Now



Drake Bistrow 12



Bradley Connell 11



Andrew Vaclavik 10



Nicholas Kitner 12



Jimmy Long

Flinching with hesitation, junior Bradley Connell, holds onto the starting block with anticipation of the gun sounding. This year Connell swam 50 freestyle and 50 backstroke for the Griffith Panthers swim team.

Senior and captain of the team, Jimmy Long paces himself for the last length of the 200 freestyle relay. Long and his team broke the school record for the 200 freestyle relay during sectionals."I was so surprised we beat the school's record," said Long



Principal of Griffith High School January-June, Mr. E.A. Van Slyke

India and Pakistan gain independence.

1944

The annual junior-senior prom was held at Lincolnshire Country Club and the junior-senior banquet was held at Teibel's Restaurant.

Then

Preparing herself for the next event, junior Jamie Lastagarkov takes a deep breath before the steps onto the block. "Swimming is so much fun," Lastagarkov said. "It relieves so much stress especially when I am upset."

Tracy Shulte 1983



Jennifer King 1991



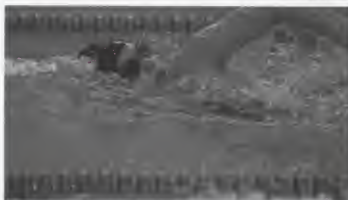
Melissa Steapleton 1997



Melanie Kuss 1981



Drake Bistrrow



Drake Bistrrow

"Swimming is something that I've done my entire life," freshman Becky Curnow said. "I started swimming mostly because of my mom who used to be a coach here," Curnow said. The swim team also holds a summer camp for young swimmers.

Swimming in a race for sectionals, junior Kali Werkowski swims a lap around the pool. "Swimming is very good exercise and I enjoy the people on the team," Werkowski said. The swim team practices both in the morning and after school.



Griffith High School included elementary students.



The Reflector's staff ranged from elementary students to seniors.

Griffith High School had a Phy-Chem club.

Now

Swimming ahead of everyone, Junior Sara Brines competes against the other schools to win sectionals. "Swimming has been a part of my life for a long time, and I love the team, and coaches," Brines said.



First Row (l-r): Lisa Guzman, Kelley Jusko, Laura Matovina, Kristen Konopasek, Lauren Massa, Brittney Rawdon
 Second Row: Allison Lawerncelle, Kali Werkowski, Alyssa Szo, Ashley Naggy, Leah Morton, Sara Brines, Jessica Koch
 Third Row: Nicole Rodgers, Amanda Tharp, Jamie Lastagarkov, Lori Wortsbaugh, Alicia Byrns, Sara Tharp, Heather Smith
 Fourth Row: Jerime Wargo, Julie Cservanek, Zorica Kvrpic, Mindy Grahovac, Charlotte Joseph, Amy Saloan, Becky Curnow, Ross Rommelfanger



Jessica Koch 10



Sara Brines 11



Lori Wartsbaugh 9



Jessica Koch 10

Plunging in!

compiled by: Lauren Becze

Scoreboard

Lowell	135-45(L)	Calumet	133-32(W)
Gavit	101-64(W)	Crown Point	103-80(L)
Highland	132-51(L)	Morton	102-68(W)
Hobart	110-71(L)	Wheeler	94-82(L)
Munster	139-46(L)	Bishop Noll	83-21(W)
Rensselaer	124-52(L)	Clark	94-14(W)
West Side	136-29(W)	Griffith Invite	2nd place
Merrillville	116-68(W)	LAC Championship	7th place

IHSAA Sectional 4th place



Griffith's Senior play was "The Angel of Red Canyon"

There were only two Varsity Cheerleaders at Griffith High School.



1948

Then



Debbie Chmiel 1979



Kim Fulkerson 1991



Joanne Fingar 1981



Emily Coddington 1997

Looking for one of her open teammates under the Panther's basket, junior Shannon Trauscht dribbles the ball against a Hammond High defender during the first round of the sectionals games. Trauscht hit some big shots for her team to pull into the lead.

Driving past her defender, junior Star Sepulveda looks to score in the first round of the sectional games. The Lady Panthers drew Hammond High for the first round and beat them with a score of 44-38 to advance to the second round.



Drake Bistrow



Drake Bistrow

Huddling up, the team gets together during a time out to encourage each other. The girls huddle up during every time out. "During our huddles we all tell each other that we are doing good and to keep it up. We all help each other out when one needs it," junior Megan Sudac said.



Bev Barth and Bryan Mold won the senior superlative category of "Best Dancers."

Griffith marching band won the state championship.

Harry S. Truman became President after President Roosevelt's stroke.

Ballin' it up!

compiled by: Elise Dixon

Scoreboard

Wheeler	30-56	Bishop Noll	31-29	Whiting	49-34
River Forest	41-17	Lowell	33-47	Andrean	30-24
North Newton	47-40	Hobart	36-39	Highland	42-52
Gavit	40-28	Bishop Noll	25-27	Clark	48-28
New Prairie	26-43	Morton	51-46	*Hammond	44-38
Kankakee Valley	50-35	S.B. Washington	38-49	*Calumet	37-40
Hebron	30-27	Lowell	28-26	*Indicates sectional games.	
Munster	42-33	Calumet	32-33		

1st team all conference- Sarah Planer 12

2nd team all conference- Megan Sudac 11



First Row (L to R): Annie Hernandez, Sarah Planer, Star Sepulveda, Molly Orzechowicz

Second Row: Carly Salczynski, Shannon Trauscht, Alicia Kielbasa, Nicole Kubacki, Megan Sudac

Third Row: Manager Matt O'Grady, Coach Tony Scheub, Alana Massa, Kristen Mathews, Caitlin Terpstra, Coach Tom Golumbeck, Coach Mike Hamacher

Playing tight defense so her opponent won't score on her, sophomore Alicia Kielbasa gets low to defend the ball. This was Kielbasa's first year starting on varsity and she led the Lady Panthers in defensive rebounds.

Now



Sarah Planer 12



Caitlin Terpstra 10



Megan Sudac 11



Nicole Kubacki 10

Atomic bombs are dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki by the U.S.

1949

The United Nations is formed.

Griffith High School had over twenty students participate in the Teacher Cadet program.

Then



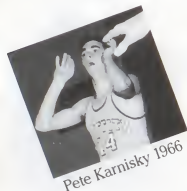
Ken Buzea 1972



George Konopasek 1942



Paul Clark 1981



Pete Karnisky 1966

President Truman approved production of the hydrogen bomb and sent Air Force and Navy to Korea.



First Row (l to r): Steven DeJesus, Tyrone Williams, Shawn Mathis, Stephen Fry
Second Row: Richard Lehmann, Eric Stadnik, Todd Polgar, Colin Stage, John Schultz

Shootin' it in!

compiled by: Megan Sudac

Scoreboard

Hebron	61-50	Whiting	57-38	Munster	35-53
Crown Point	50-62	Hobart	52-44	Lowell	52-47
Calumet	43-38	Bishop Noll	34-42	Morton	48-57
Andean	40-60	Wheeler	58-54	Clark	50-55
Calumet	58-32	Highland	31-45	Gavit	47-36
Clark	56-45	Hammond	47-51	Lake Station	67-39
Wheeler	33-48	S.B. Washington	62-87	*Gavit	53-63
Highland	49-54	Kankakee Valley	63-58		

*Indicates sectional games.

Walking proudly with his parents by his side, senior Stephen Fry is announced during the senior night. Fry has been playing basketball since his freshman year. Senior night was held by the athletic department to thank the seniors and their parents for their support throughout the years.



Lyndley Clarkson

The U.S. government recognized a change for the worse in Vietnam and sent advisors to teach the use of weapons to the Vietnamese.

Two Puerto Rican nationalists made an unsuccessful attempt to assassinate President Truman.



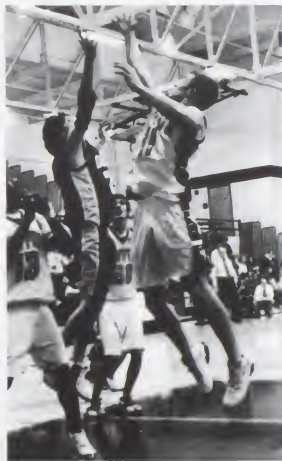
Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

Going up strong with the ball, senior Shawn Mathis makes an attempt to score. Mathis led the team on senior night in scoring. This was his first year starting on varsity and also was one of the three captains on the team.

Reaching for the ball over Gavitt, junior Richard Lehmann jumps up to pull down a rebound. "It was nice to get a win for our seniors on senior night for all their hard work they put into the four years they have been playing," Lehmann said.



Lyndley Clarkson

Getting in position under the basket for a rebound, seniors Eric Stadnik and John Schultz watch as the shot goes up. The seniors played Gavitt for their last home game and won with a victory of 47-36 on senior night.

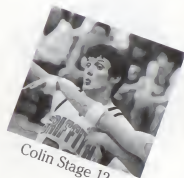
Now



Steven DeJesus 11



John Schultz 12



Colin Stage 12



Nathan Lehmann 9

U.S. official Alger Hiss was convicted of perjury for denying that he knew a soviet agent.

A Boston armored car service was held up by nine men wearing Halloween masks who escaped with \$1 million in cash and \$500,000 in checks.

President Truman authorizes the use of U.S. troops after the invasion of South Korea by North Korean troops.

1950

Then



Mike Dorelli 1989



Steve DeSantiago 1979



Randy Zubrick 1984



Scott Hood 1975

Griffith's varsity football team was conference champs.



First Row(l-r): Julian Flores, Andrew Karpati, Alexander Werkowski, Anthony Zarndt, Caitlin Moisant, Darek Kowal
Second Row: Robert Robinson, Marcus Hernandez, Steve Siokos, Daniel Lewis, Zachary Hinchy, Luis Reyna, Derek Wartman, Brandon Archer, Tim Vessell
Third Row: Coach Julio Cisneros, Angel Escobedo, Jose Escobedo, Alexander Tsirtsis, Andrae Hernandez, Justin Lynn, Santana Adame, Coach Paul Chandler
Fourth Row: Coach Chris Mares, Mathew Azpeitia, Jarrett Brownd, Kaleb Matthews, Coach Travis Walls, James Buehler, Scott Houldieson, Beau Leimbach, Coach David Torres



Derek Bistrow

Striving to win his match, freshman Steve Siokos tries to get position on his opponent at team regionals held at Highland High School this year. While only a freshman, Siokos wrestled on varsity this year.



The Mutual Defense Treaty between the United States and the Republic of the Philippines was signed.

The twenty-second Amendment was ratified, reducing the presidential term limit to two terms.

Pin 'em down!

compiled by: Megan Sudac

Scoreboard

Calumet	56-18	Penn High	53-22
Merrillville	41-31	Warsaw	60-21
Bishop Noll	84-0	Northwood	50-26
Morton	62-15	Floyd Central	43-27
Pioneer	47-19	Mishawaka	38-34
Boone Grove	65-12	Portage	19-48
Whiting	72-12	Lawerence North	17-50
Hanover	60-15	Fort Wayne Snyder	46-34
Munster	51-20	Highland	48-15
Portage (Michigan)	63-18	Merrillville	35-33 (Regionals)
Jim Town	54-12	Highland	54-16 (Regionals)

Now



Justin Lynn 12



Daniel Lewis 11



Nicholas Choate 12



Luis Reyna 12



Drake Bistrow

Pushing his opponent away from him, senior Alex Tsirtsis concentrates on pinning his Highland opponent. Tsirtsis won his back to back matches against Highland and later won against Merrillville. Tsirtsis later went on to win state.

Determined to win his match over Merrillville's Jamal Lawerence, Angel Escobedo picks up his opponent in an attempt to win. "Wrestling this guy at regionals was exciting because I ended up pinning him and helping the team even though we lost, which was very upsetting."

Drake Bistrow

Fifth grade class at Franklin Elementary School

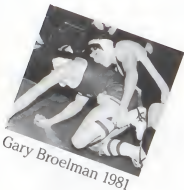
Griffith High School had an upper and lower class library club.

Antabuse, a drug that prevents alcoholics from drinking, is introduced.

Transcontinental television began with a speech by President Truman.

1951

Then



Gary Broelman 1981



Lori Van Gorpp 1981



Rich Miller 1975



Paul Osmulski 1985

Shooting a three pointer, freshman Molly Orzechowicz jumps off the ground in anticipation of making the shot. The junior varsity games usually started at six o'clock to leave enough time for the varsity game to start at seven thirty.

Getting ready to take on one of his opponents, freshman Julian Flores is ready to go. "I get kind of nervous sometimes," Flores said, "because I want to do good in all of my matches. Even if I don't, I still feel good that I put a lot of work into just being on the team."



Drake Bistrow



Drake Bistrow



Lyndley Clarkson

Sophomore Brian Bell makes a pass to one of his fellow teammates at the Griffith vs. Cavit basketball game. "When you are playing you get so caught up in the moment, you just have to hope that you follow through because you want to win," said Bell.

Griffith High School had a post card and pen pal club.

New York adopted the three-colored traffic lights.

"Dragnet" with Jack Webb premiered on NBC.

Just startin' in!

Compiled by: Shannon Henderson



First Row(l-r): Brandon Veronissi, Mike White, Ben Geffert, Ryan Bridges, Trent Bierman

Second Row: Sean Henson, Brian Bell, Nathan Lahman, Matt Coddington, Nick Doell



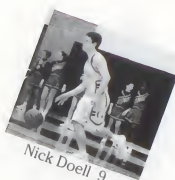
First Row(l-r): Annie Hernandez, Joy Helfen, Stephanie Brown, Rene Cabrales, Molly Ozechoweiz

Second Row: Christina Kireta, Ashley Baker, Alana Massa, Elise Garcia, Krista Glidewell

Third Row: Tom Golumbek, Megan Swanson, Mike Hammacher, Kristin Matthews, Tony Scheub

Griffith High School also had a music listening club, music appreciation club, and a dance club.

Now



Nick Doell 9



Ashley Baker 9



JV Basketball team



Joanna Tinich 11
Caitlin Dudley 11

Mr. Potato Head was introduced.

Alfred Einstein (71), German-US musicologist, died.

1952

Then



Jim Graf 1987



Greg Mack 1968



Gary Nisle 1983



Mike MacKeigan 1979

Senior Eric Arcella prepares to jolt with extreme power and speed during the UAC Tourney held at Highland High School. Arcella went 10-2 for the season and placed fifth overall for the UAC tourney. "I would have never have dreamed of doing this well," said Arcella.

Junior Matthew Melton paces himself for the long excruciating run ahead of him. "I have always loved being a distance runner," said Melton. Melton was also a member of the varsity cross country team coached by Eric Schilling.



Drake Bistrow



Drake Bistrow

Senior Matthew Valois prepares to throw the discus as a field event for the track team. Students that could throw the discus could also throw the shot put. Both are difficult, but students usually had a preference

Junior Bradley Glidewell sprints completely focused on the task at hand of clearing the bar during the UAC Tournament. "I never really expected to be doing pole vaulting this year let alone go to conference," said Glidewell.



The prom king and queen of Griffith High school was Don Morgan and Phyllis Cook.

Eldon Ready was one of the most recognized principals of Griffith High School.

Richard Beck was the head coach of the football and baseball team.

Stride for it!

compiled by: Bobby Bridgegroom

Scoreboard

Griffith 84	Wheeler 53	Clark 27
Lowell 86	Griffith 46	
Griffith 81	Gavit 39	Calumet 43
Hobart 108	Griffith 30	Hammond 27

Highland Invite 2nd Place finish

Highland 115 Griffith 103

Regular Season Record (5-2)



First Row(l-r): Tom Cunningham, Gary Alvarez, Zachary Udchitz, Josh Cunningham

Second Row: Scott Houldieson, Chris Martin, Eric Arcella, Luis Villareal, Matthew Melton, Zachary Forsythe, Shannon Smith

Third Row: Coach Travis Walls, Josh Gonzalez, Richard Lehmann, James Buehler Coach Russ Radtke



Senior Andrae Hernandez buckles down into a stance, while focusing on the crack of the gun. "I came out for varsity track my freshman year. Since then, I have not really competed, but I did compete in the two mile relay and we placed seventh," said Hernandez.



Richard Lehmann 11



Luis Villarreal 12



James Buehler 9



Tom Cunningham 12

1953

Tom Gelfert became the new owner of the Chicago Cubs.

The boys varsity football team went 5-5 for the season.

Terry Smith was elected as the President of the Student Council.

Then



Diane Kendall 1990



JoAnn Hodor 1984



Michelle Aldrin 1996



Jessica Meece 1997

Jumping hurdles, freshman Ashley Baker catches her balance after landing wrong on her foot. "I jumped too short, and my ankle almost gave out," Baker said, "I lost my balance for a second, but I recovered."

Running her fastest, senior Rachael Dapshis tries to out beat out everyone else. Dapshis practices everyday to get into shape for meets. "At conference I didn't do very well," Dapshis said, "I did a lot better at sectionals."



Drake Bistrow

Running hard!

compiled by: Mimi Wilczynski

Scoreboard

Lowell	45-131	Calumet	133-32
Gavit	101-64	Crown Point	80-103
Highland	51-132	Morton	102-68
Hobart	71-110	Wheeler	82-94
Munster	46-139	Bishop Noll	83-21
Rensselaer	52-124	Clark	94-14
West Side	136-29	Griffith Invite	2nd
Merrillville	116-68	LAC Tourney	7th

Sectionals 4th place

The Panthers lost their first conference game against the Merrillville Pirates.



The junior and senior classes dance the night away on prom night.

NY Yankee Joe DiMaggio married actress Marilyn Monroe in San Francisco City Hall. They were divorced in October.

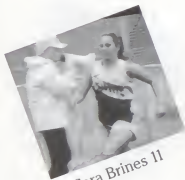
Now



First Row(l-r): Andrea Naaman, Belinda Sendejas, Natalie Bermudez, Renee Cabrales, Sara Brines, Yetunde Bey, Teresa Sanchez, Lauren Massa
Second Row: Valerie Zivich, Miranda Pryor, Kamilla Marshall, Melony Cabrales, Rachael Dapshis, Jessica Koch, Geneva Jones, Sarah Williamms, Jennifer Hancock
Third Row: Coach Mike Worosz, alicia Byrns, Tanya Baker, Erica Naaman, Kristen Mathews, Charly Bryan, Rosalinda Sendejas, Ruth Zemke, Coach Alex Brandon



Andrea Naaman 9



Sara Brines 11



Rosalinda Sendejas 11



Jessica Koch 10



Krystofol Zembrowski

With every ounce of strength, senior Charly Bryan puts all of her energy into throw shotput. "I practice every day, except for weekends," Bryan said. "That's how long it takes to master it. However, no matter how hard I practice, it can never be perfected."

Sophomore Kristen Mathews soars through the air high jumping at a meet. "It didn't take me long to learn how to do it because Belinda Sendejas jumps with me," Mathews said. Mathews practices every day except the day before meets.

Krystofol Zembrowski

After graduating from Indiana State Teachers' College, Mr. Edward became a biology teacher, as well as an assistant coach.



The TV Dinner was first put on sale by Swanson and Sons.

The first shopping mall opened in Southfield, Michigan.

1954

Then



Christina Govert 2000



Denise Fratter 1981



Diane Chmiel 1983



Daniell Dudek 1992



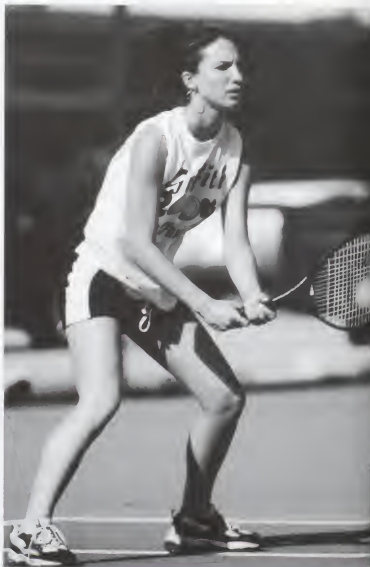
Heather Banks

Senior Heather Banks starts swinging her racket to get ready to hit the ball coming to her forehead. Banks played the third singles position on the varsity team. She has been playing on the tennis team since her freshman year and has been on varsity since then.

One of the number two doubles players, senior Rachel Chandler watches as her opponents hit the ball. "This season has been more fun than past seasons because everyone seems to have come together this year. We seem like we are more of a team," Chandler said.



First Row(l-r): Olivia Barlow, Laura Solivais, Kristen Samierad, Melissa Ocegüera, Heather Banks, Holly Jusko
Second Row: Joy Lindsay, Jelena Pupac, Ashley Blanchard, Angela Smigla, Tiffany Lindsay, Kelly Staszak, Martina Rybacki
Third Row: Stefanie Brown, Danielle Wilson, Rachelle Chandler Coach Tracy Sines, Karrie Obranovich, Justine Yeager, Amy Miles



The Griffith High School received new equipment for most rooms in the school including the kitchen.

The Burnham Committee recommended equal pay for women in London.

The Letterman's Club sponsored two main social events including the Lettermen's Banquet and the Letterman's Dance.



Drake Bistrow

Preparing to fire the ball back to her opponent, freshman Jelena Pupac gets in the ready position. "My favorite match was our match against Calumet because the whole team worked together really hard and was very supportive of each other," Pupac said.

Getting some advice from coach Tracy Sines, senior Martina Rybacki listens to Sines hoping to find some way to help her keep winning her match. "My favorite part about being on the tennis team is being with all my girls," Rybacki said.



Drake Bistrow

Who Wants It!

compiled by: Laura Solivais

Scoreboard

Lowell	1-4	Kankakee Valley	1-4
Clark	4-1	Whiting	5-0
Kankakee Valley Invite	4th	Calumet	2-3
Lake Station	5-0	Hobart	2-3
Hammond	4-1	Andean	1-4
Wheeler	1-4	Bishop Noll	4-1
Morton	4-1	River Forest	1-4
Crown Point	1-4	*Hanover	2-3

* denotes Sectional match

1st team All-Conference- Tiffany Lindsay 12/ Rachelle Chandler 12 (Doubles), Jelena Pupac 9 (Singles)
Honorable Mention All-Conference- Martina Rybacki 12

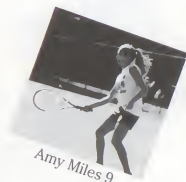
Now



Melissa Ocegueda 12



Angela Smigla 12
Laura Solivais 10



Amy Miles 9



Tiffany Lindsay 12

Drake Bistrow



There was an upper and lower class library club at Griffith High School.

The Griffith Football team got defeated in the last season game since 1950.

700 electrician and maintenance workers went on strike causing there to be an absence of newspapers from newsstands and stores on March 26.

1955

Then

Good Cut!

compiled by: Kendra Terzari



Becky Fuehrer 1989



Kellie Adams 1992



Stacy Baker 1989



Ami McQueary 1997

Scoreboard

Valparaiso	7-0	Highland	1-3	Lowell	5-4
Merrillville	0-5	South Bend Riley	2,3-4,1	Andrean	0-4
Boone Grove	13-3	Morton	3-1	Kankakee Valley	1-0
Chesterton	0-4	Bishop Noll	14-0	Michigan City	10-0
Gavit	6-0	Portage	0-5	*Gavit	2-1
Crown Point	9-2	Wheeler	4-5		
Munster	0-8	Whiting	3-2		
Hammond High	10-0	Hanover Central	0-10		

* denotes Sectional game



Duke Bistrow

Attempting to get the runner out, senior Taini Blythe throws the ball to first base to make a play. "It was a slow roller so I was trying to get it and throw it as fast as I possibly could," Blythe said. Blythe has been involved in the girls softball program for four years.

With no fear in their eyes, the girls softball team is determined to win their game on senior night. Griffith played North Newton. The girls held their end and beat North Newton 1-0. They played a great defensive and offensive game.



The boy wrestlers were called the Panther Harriers.

The night before Homecoming the cheerleaders led crowds of people in a snake dance.

The junior senior prom was held at Lake Hills Country Club.



Drake Bistrow

Senior Jessica Banke throws a pitch during a home game held at the girls softball fields on Broad Street. Banke is the number one pitcher for the Panthers this year. Banke's pitching record throughout the regular season was 12-11.

After getting an out, Junior Kaitlyn O'Brien goes to do the cheer. Griffith made up new cheers this year for everytime they got an out. "I think the new cheers we made up are good for us" said O'Brien. "We'll always know how many outs there are"



Drake Bistrow

Now



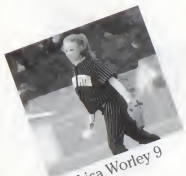
Nicole Kubacki 10



Molly Orzechowicz 9



Krystal Ulm 10



Lisa Worley 9



Deke Bistrow



First Row(l-r): Sarah Zajac, Molly Orzechowicz, Krystal Ulm, Kendra Terzarial
Second Row: Coach Ken Warstler, Laura Pinkerton, Tarin Blythe, Amanda Mac Farlane, Ashley Rawdon, Michelle Warstler, Coach Dave Lopez
Third Row: Nicole Kubacki, Mind Grahovaz, Jessica Banke, Coach Michelle Powers, Lisa Worley, Shannon Trauscht, Kaitlyn O'Brien

"I Love Lucy" was again the top ranking network show on television.

A white mob prevented the enrollment of blacks at Mansfield HS, Texas.

Elvis Presley's "Heartbreak Hotel" goes number one.

1956

Then

Strike'em out!

compiled by: Emily Adams



Ian Flores 1999



Scott Baker 1978



Pat Burbridge 1982



Bob Siurks 1967

Scoreboard

Lake Station	8-2	Andean	5-12	Lowell	9-2
Wheeler	9-8	Bishop Noll	16-6	Lake Station	12-2
Boone Grove	12-2	Chesterton	1-14	Clark	4-3
Merrillville	8-2	Lowell	15-11	Munster	6-11
Calumet	13-3	Hobart	1-4	Bishop Noll	7-3
Whiting	11-1	Kankakee Valley	8-6	E.C. Central	16-0
Hobart	15-4	N. Judson	3-7	Penn	6-1
Kankakee Valley	2-4	Munster	3-6	Lake Central	4-16
Munster	9-13	Highland	2-3	Clark	4-2
Crown Point	4-8	Andean	1-11	Morton	10-3
Highland	13-9	Bishop Noll	7-3	Andean	2-14



First Row (l-r): Danny Lewis, Brian Bell, Mike Gonzalez, Brett Newman, Tyler Louviere, Danny Blount
Second Row: Trent Bierman, Jim Swienconeck, Ryan Bridges, Hunter Rogowski, Mike Cuneo, Matt Denny, Adam Brandner, Drew Rogowski
Third Row: John Shultz, Joe Wagman, Matt Nellenman, Todd Polgar, Ben Bartley, Matt Kuna

Giving a few words of advice, coach Brian Jennings talks to sophomore Matthew Nellenman about the game. "Although our team was young, I think that we were still very competitive when it came to winning," Nellenman said.



Lyndley Clarkson

Griffith ties with Merrillville for second place, in the basketball conference.



Panthers keep their Conference Title for the second year in a row for Cross-Country.

France returned Saar to become the 10th state of the German Federal Republic.



Lyndley Clarkson

Getting ready for the game, the boys warm up and talk about what they need to do to beat the team they are up against. "It's not a big deal to lose a game or two. We win some and we lose some," junior Mike Cuneo said.

Catching for Griffith, sophomore Trent Bierman gets ready as the Munster team bats. The boys played a hard game against Munster, but ended up losing. "We really don't do anything before the games, we chill and get ready for the game," Bierman said.



Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

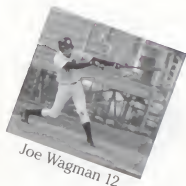


Lyndley Clarkson

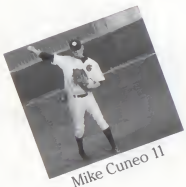
Getting down low, senior John Schultz gets ready to catch a ground ball. Schultz was one of the seniors on the team for Griffith, and along with the others he missed his senior ditch day to play a scheduled game.

Determined to win the game, freshman Ryan Bridges goes for the ball. Even though this was Bridges' first year playing for the high school, he was still on the varsity team. "I have always liked baseball and I'm good at it, so I play," Bridges said.

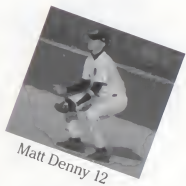
Now



Joe Wagman 12



Mike Cuneo 11



Matt Denny 12



Jim Swienconeck 11



The Boys swimming team took the championship.

International Geophysical Year began.

1957

Then



Dave Dye 1983



Mark Govert 1973



Terry Richardson 1987



Tim McVey 1968

Hoping that the wind will not hinder his shot, senior Justin Lynn swings really hard to make a hole so he can better his score. Lynn not only played golf for the panthers, but also wrestled for them.

Trying to get his ball out of a sand trap, sophomore Keith Boilek digs into the sand pit to get it out. One of the major obstacles for golfers is the trying to hit their ball out of the sand and back out onto the green.



First Row(l-r): Justin Lynn, Casey Colby, Adam Vania, Daniel Vanek, Jordan Landsman, Kyle Hitt
Second Row: Daniel Mac Farlane, Keith Boilek, Aaron Salczynski, Coach Jeff Blahunka, Nathan Lehmann, Chris Parker, James Anderson



Martin Luther King Jr. was stabbed in the chest by a deranged black woman in New York City.

Coach J.T. Windell led his Panther J.V. basketball team to a 17 win and 4 loss record.

Tee it up!

compiled by: Katya Gordeeva

Scoreboard

Calumet	193-220	Bishop Noll	183-179
Gavit	196-235	Kankakee Valley	195-173
Highland	199-178	Lake Station	176-211
Morton	196-208	Whiting	182-197
Lowell	204-177	Hammond High	200-223
Clark	182-261	Munster	191-162
Hobart	179-171	LAC Tourney	16th
Andrean	173-167	Lake Central	192-175
Kankakee Valley Invite	14th	Sectionals	6th
Wheeler	180-192		

Now



Jordan Landsman 10



Nathan Lehman 9



Casey Colby 9



Aaron Salczynski 9



After finishing a game, sophomore Keith Boilek checks his score. The team always tries to improve by getting a lower score after every game. Most players end up distraught with a bad score after totaling.

Checking his scorecard, sophomore Jordan Landsman checks to see if he got a birdie or a bogie. Landsman also talks with one of the other team members about how he did after finishing his game.

The first US satellite was launched.

The first airplane flight exceeded 12 hours, and landed in Dallas, Texas.

After 26 years at 3 cents, the cost of mailing a first-class letter in the United States went up a penny.

1958

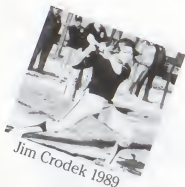
Then



Amy Taylor 1992



Eric Foster 1979



Jim Crode 1989



Rob Arndt 1985

Spring Ahead!

compiled by: Amie Palmer



First Row(l-r): Nicole Rodgers, Kristyn Maynard, Elyse Janke, Maegan Funk, Lisa Guzman
Second Row: Annie Hernandez, Alexis Gonzalez, Katie Horn, Kristen Horn, Christina Kireta, Ashley McDonald, Amy Baran, Ashley Peters
Third Row: Coach Mike Hernandez, Amber Mitchell, Tiffany Lidster, Megan Swanson, Samantha Higgins, Elise Garcia, Coach Alberto Guzman



First Row(l-r): Sean Hansen, Corey Nash, Jeffery Bertucci, Alan Kus
Second Row: Thomas Lenker, Joseph Greichunos, Coach Bob Tribble, Michael White, Jarrod Macak

A plane crash near Clear Lake, Iowa claimed the lives of rock-and-stars Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens, and J.P. "The Big Bopper" Richardson.

Griffith track team captures its fourth consecutive Conference champs title.

The Barbie doll is unveiled for the first time at the American Toy Fair in New York City.

Now

"My favorite thing about pitching is the pressure of doing your best and the fact that it is one of the most important spots because you couldn't have a game without the pitcher," said freshman Tyler Louviere, who pitches for the JV baseball team.

Waiting for the ball to come to her, freshman Amy Miles prepares to hit the ball to her opponent using the forehand swing at the River Forest match. Miles was sometimes called up to substitute for varsity whenever she was needed.



Ashley Peters 9



Renee Cabrales 10



Katie Horn 9



Amber Mitchell 11



Drake Bistrow

Chillin' on the pitchers mound in between innings, Junior Amber Mitchell, sophomore Kristen Horn, and freshmen Ashley Peters, Katie Horn, Tiffany Lidster, and Alexis Gonzalez confer about strategies to overtake opponent Lake Central.

Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

Griffith Track Team



The first Grammy awards were issued.

Parker Brothers introduced the game Risk

Fidel Castro and Cuban revolutionaries took over Cuba.

1959

Then



Tim County 1975



First Row(l-r): Stephanie Brown, Krista Glidewell, Elise Garcia, Christina Kireta, Holly Jusko
Second Row: Coach Tony Scheub, Ashley Baker, Coach Mike Hamachar, Megan Swanson, Coach Tom Golumbeck



First Row(l-r): Nicholas Doell, Casey Colby, Corey Nash, Daniel Vaneck, Billy Cahill
Second Row: Curt Konopasek, Sean Hansen, Chris Parker, Daniel Wolyson, William Frets, David Konopasek
Third Row: Matt Kuna, Allen McCledon, Frank Davis, Coach Derrick Milenkoff, Kyle Palinca, Jeremy Levity, Aaron Salczynski



Ken Konopasek 1984



First Row(l-r): Kolie Johnson, Danielle Wilson, Melony Cabrales, Jeanette Bridegroom
Second Row: Samantha Kulig, Amber Delmar, Stacy Sanchez



Dan Dewar 1989



First Row(l-r): Amanda Rokowski, Molly Orzechowicz, Caitlin Scott, Jaquelyn Ranck, Annie Hernandez
Second Row: Coach Don Whittemore, Ashley O'Conner, Amy Sloan, Elyse Janke, Coach JoAnne Joyce



Jamie Govert 1992

Cheering on her fellow teammates, freshman Holly Jusko roots for her friends during their tennis match. "The game was at Riverforest, and I was just enjoying myself by watching Melissa Ocegvera, and Amy Miles," Jusko said.



Drake Bistrow

The new fashion fad of the Griffith seniors are bright corduroy skirts and slacks.



Griffith's prom had a live orchestra to play the music the students danced to.



Twenty Griffith juniors and seniors went on a field trip to New York City to go to the Radio Music Hall and many other tourist spots.

Freshman Sports!

compiled by: Lauren Becze



First Row(l-r): Richard Erdman, Anthony Zardnt, MacFarlane, Eric Ritter, Matt Alvarez, Zach Udchitz, Andrew Karpati, Jeff Reitz
Second Row: Brian Kayden, Tim Sasak, Max Popavich, Jeremy Droch, Tim County, Dan Wolosyn, Jeremy Levity, Danny Calhoun, Corey Nash, Zach Foresight
Third Row: Coach Jim Pickett, Ryan Bandura, Beau Leimbach, Robbie Buehler, Chris Higgenbotham, Ben Geffert, Nathan Lehman, Jake Gazerkiewicz, Coach Rick Cap



First Row(l-r): Bradley Popa, Shawn O'Keefe, David Konopasek, Curt Konopasek, Joseph Zajac
Second Row: Peter Lewis, Brian Kayden, Coach Tim Mercer, Daniel Woloszyn, William Frets



Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

Training and practicing with the freshman football team, freshman Ben Geffert works hard to do the drills. "Football practice can be hard, especially when I get really bad wedges from the running drills," Geffert said.

Practicing his swing, freshman Matt Kuna prepares for his game by hitting baseballs off a tee. "I play a better game whenever I practice on the tee first because it makes my nerves go away, and I hit a lot better then," Kuna said.

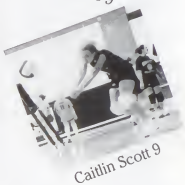
Griffith High School composes a new club for future nurses called The Future Nurses Club.



Now



Miranda Pryor 9
Geneva Jones 9



Caitlin Scott 9



Casey Colby 9



Ruth Zemke 9

The Griffith Drama club performed "You Can't Take it With You".

1960



Jerry Palko



Griffith airport was built.

Matthew Welsh is sworn in Governor of Indiana by Curtis G. Shake.

The theme for Griffith's junior-senior prom was "Twilight Time." The dance was held on Saturday, May 14 in the GHS gym.

"Onions in the Stew" was the senior play that was presented on May 4 in the high school gym.

100 Ways to... Work Together

Working with others can be a learning experience. Understanding how other personalities work, how they think, and what pushes their buttons helps students identify with one another. But one thing is for sure, sometimes people click and sometimes they don't.

The same is true for sophomore Ashley Stevens. "I like to see how other people like to do things and most people are nice so I have fun doing it." Stevens is involved in stage crew where she usually works with three other people on a particular job. "You get to talk and have fun, but you also have to get something done at the same time," Stevens said.

But it's not all fun and games. Sometimes students are stuck with someone that they have conflicts with. Stevens thinks that not everyone has the right attitude when working together, and that, mixed with schedule conflicts, it can lead to an interesting working situation.

"When I was doing a play, a cast member didn't come to all of the practices, so we didn't mesh well. He had his own ideas of what he should do that didn't fit with the rest of ours," Stevens said. "If I don't mesh with their personality and we don't agree with what we're working on then I just don't work well."

—Christina Boncela



Lyndley Clarkson

Testing the set for stability junior Bradley Glidewell and Craig Phipps, band, balance on the platform. The platform was used to close in the pit for *Pirates of Penzance*. Getting the crowd pumped up before the game, freshman Amanda Uram bangs on the drums. Three quarters of the band's percussion section consists of only freshmen.



Lyndley Clarkson



junior-senior prom

The Reflector staff presents the first annual "Sweetheart" ball on February 11.

Griffith played Crown Point in the Homecoming game where they defeated the Bulldogs 7-0.

John F. Kennedy takes the oath of office as President of the United States.

1961

Fun Festivities

Lauren Becze

Being in a school club is a lot of hard work. The members have to do a lot of things, like having to wake up early, staying after school for meetings, or having to come to late night meetings. They have to work hard to put together projects and activities for the school to make it better and more fun.

After many days, and meetings that were hard work, the clubs' sponsors let their members enjoy some parties, where they can hang out with friends, relax, and eat good food without having to worry about any more plans.

Sophomore Student Council member Laura Solivais said, "after all the hard work we had to go through putting together Activities Day and the Food Drive, it was nice to have a party to celebrate all the work we

did to make those activities successful."

Club parties are also a big part of some clubs, because they serve as a way of educating their members.

International Club, for example, hosts parties to learn about other cultures, and the holidays that they celebrate.

"As one of the sponsors for the International Club, we like to allow the members to enjoy

some parties, so they can learn about other countries cultures that aren't normally celebrated in the United States," Katherine Martinez, Spanish, said.

Sometimes parties aren't just for fun, but they can also be educational. No matter what club it is, parties are always fun to go to.

"It was nice to have a party to get a break from all of the work we did to make those activities successful."
Laura Solivais 10

The Student Council members enjoy playing the game "The Chain Gang" as one of their activities at the Christmas party. Blindfolded senior Amber Kasbom works together with senior Ross McMullen to make the longest chain while tied together at the wrists.



Jackie Robinson became the 1st Black elected to Baseball Hall of Fame.

The first subway train ran in NYC.

Bishop Burke declared Chubby Checker's "Twist" as impure and banned it from all Catholic schools.

Opening her present for the Quill and Scroll party's secret santa gift exchange, sophomore Laura Matovina opens her gift from an unknown club member, as sophomore Bridgett Vechey watches. The club has had a secret santa game every year.

Playing a game of "go fish", freshmen Tyler Louviere and Nathan Bryan have a good time at their International Club party. "I like going to the club parties because we get to eat foods from different countries, watch movies, and the parties are fun," Louviere said.



Lyndley Clarkson

Q: What was your favorite club party?



"My favorite club party is the Quill and Scroll party. It's fun and takes away from the worries of school."

Michael White, sophomore

"I like cast parties best, because you get to be with the people in the plays, and the crew who built the sets. It brings us all together."

Ashley Stevens, sophomore



The United States launched Ranger 3 to land scientific instruments on the moon, but the probe missed its target by some 22,000 miles.



Junior Class Council

First Row: Lisa Guzman, Julie Cservenak, Joseph Wagman, Jovanka Balac
Second Row: Nicole Rodgers, Joy Lindsay, Sarah Brines, Joanna Tinich, Fatima Alvarez, Star Sepulveda, Melissa Wilczynski, Kristen Konopasek Third Row: Kaitlyn O'Brien, Matt Melton, Elise Dixon, Brandi Lewis, Ashley Burch, Darcy Govert, David Melton, Claudio Giurrola Fourth Row: Megan Sudac, Brett Newman, James Swieniecok, Kevin Torok, Charlotte Joseph, Whitney Gasaway, Jeff Martin



Senior Class Council

First Row: Kathrine Bonnan, Tarin Blythe, Luis Keyna, Amber Kasbohm, Ross McMullin, Russ Radtke Second Row: Danny Blount, Emily Etheridge, Crystal Bermudez, Carly Salczynski, Melissa Melczukowski, Sarah Planer, Brittany Clark, Sarah Steinhilber, Brad Beigle Third Row: Kaleigh Kistler, Tiffany Lindsay, Katie Govert, Abby Filichy, Nick Ktiner, Rob Lafayette, Christina Boncela, Alex Tisristis, Brenda Bernotas, Allie Woloszyn Fourth Row: Lauren Convery, Nick Choate, Noah Zemke, Stephen Hellen, Zach Najjar, Jessica Banke



Bowling Club

First Row: Nicole Rodgers, Melissa Rutherford, Jessica Bogner, Heather Banks, Melonie Fouss, Jason Gast Second Row: Kaitlin Scott, Katie Kleidon, Chris Chapa, Brad Glidewell, Matt Melton, Corey Blanchard, Brad Beigle, David Melton, Olivia Wagman, Trisha Gordon Third Row: Charlotte Joseph, Dave Milanez, Adam Vania, Ben Bartley, Ben Vania, Ross McMullin, Julie Cservenak, Jeff Sopko, Kevin Horn Fourth Row: Ashley Cogdill, Carl Elsner, Megan Swanson, Tiffany Lidster, Ashley Baker, Andrew McMullin, Elizabeth Stanford, Josh McFadden Fifth Row: Danny Woloszyn, Mark Hamilton, Cody Scott, Tom Kroezer, Eric Barnard, Jason Glanowski, Zack Dietrich, Sean Hansen

Raisin' in the FUNds

Ashley Cogdill

Selling flowers, candies, candles, I - Flirtz, and donating various items such as mittens, clothes, or food are just some of the fundraisers that exist here at Griffith High School. Many of the fundraisers organized are geared towards helping out others less fortunate, while some merely raise money for a particular club or cause.

Student council has organized a great number of fundraisers in the past, including I-Flirtz, selling roses for Valentines Day, pennies for paws, various food and clothing drives, and dances.

So why do people buy from fundraisers? Some people may feel obligated, some buy from a certain fundraiser so that they can give the items they buy as gifts, and then there's the people that just want to help out. "It depends on what group they're doing it for, whether I like something, and whether or not I have money at the time," freshman Caitlin Race said.

What makes a good fundraiser? Some people say that gearing the sales towards the students is the way to get them to buy a product or donate

money towards the club. Pennies for paws was a competitive way to get GHS students involved in donating money towards a local animal shelter.

A new fundraiser introduced by the band is where students, staff or members of the community can buy a ticket to go to a dinner hosted by the GHS band. There was food and entertainment provided by the band students. The money accumulated will go towards buying new marching attire.

"My favorite fundraiser in the past was the flower bulb sale [band] because it was fun selling something that I knew people would use. However, it was also my most hated because it was a pain to explain everything that was already in the pamphlet," sophomore Andrew McMullin said.

So whether they are liked, or despised, fundraisers are here to stay. They give money to the clubs, to those less fortunate, and some money goes straight to the students.

"Whether we raise a lot of money or just a few dollars, it's needed for something," McMullin said.

"It depends on what group they're doing it for, whether I like something, and whether or not I have money at the time."
Caitlin Race 9



Krzysztof Zembrowski

Giving a visual aid to Junior Jonathan Ross, junior Whitney Gasaway holds up a string of beads that were sold with the international club mardi grams. "This year I couldn't sell them for the life of me," Gasaway said.

Looking at the flower bulbs, freshman Adam Gasper checks to make sure that the orders are correct. The flower bulb sale was a fundraiser held by the GHS band. The money earned went towards new uniforms for the band students.

John F. Kennedy was shot and killed on November 22nd.



The Griffith High School's "New Hillbilly Choir"

Griffith High School's math club builds a computer.



Andrew Ulianus

Stepping out of the elevator, sophomores Justine Yeager, Laura Solivais and Andrew McMullin, deliver roses from class to class for the student council fundraiser. "I had a whole lot of fun sorting and passing out the roses," said Yeager.

Walking through the cafeteria, junior Ryan Tropp has just purchased cookies from the D.E.C.A fundraiser. Selling the cookies is one of the ways that D.E.C.A raises money for going on trips. "Their cookies are good," said Tropp.



Krzysztof Zembrowski

Q: What was your best or worst fundraising experience?



"The worst was my swimming fundraiser. I only got \$200 and it was mostly from my parents. No one wants to buy anything!"

Heather Smith, freshman

"Last year, I sold the most Mardi Grams. But, that was before we had a contest, I just sold the most to sell them, and I got a ceramic mask as a prize."

Whitney Gasaway, junior



Chorale

First Row: Monica Rivera, Amber Kasboun, Ashlee Moses, Alie Woloszyn, Alisha Staes Second Row: Bradley Connell, Brett Newman, Jeffery Martin, Daniel Lewis, Melissa Wilczynski, Jim Swieniecok, Thomas Knoerzer, Michael Albright Third Row: Katelyne Johnson, Gabe Towie, Sarah Planer, Joseph Wagman, Jesse Homoky, Richard Lehmann, Julie Cservenk, Kevin Horn, Laura Matovina



Concert Choir

First Row: Jonathon Green, Steven Fienning, Matthew Fluka, Jeremy Love, John Seiluns, Alan Kus, Andre Rodgers, Second Row: Erin Doherty, Kelley Jusko, Joanna Tinich, Michelle Frascetti, Amber Azeita, Patrice Martinson, Tuesday Sakovich, Shellane Gomez, Emily Sternberg, Heidi Gerdes, Angela Smigla Third Row: Lisa Dimos, Alyson Laurencell, Kaitlyn O'Brien, Heather Piekarczyk, Carly Westfall, Jessica Beemsterboer, Amanda MacFarlane, Queen Adams, Sara Brines, Tabatha Williams, Samantha Barlog, Nicole Rodgers, Mark Jancosek Fourth Row: Tim Vessell, Veronica Cook, Dwayne Cohen-Smith, Arkadiusz Ryzak, Steven Staples, Troyce Wachtstetter, Courtney Morgan, Ashley Burch, Noah Zemke



Chorolettes

First Row: Angela Espindza, Jenny Sparks, Jaimie Schutte, Tracy Kunkemoeller, Second Row: Britney Lee, Ashton Kepple, Christin Pease, Amy Baran, Connie Herrera, Alexis Catledge, Mark Jancosek Third Row: Ashley Stevens, Melissa Rutherford, Jessica Koch, Eliana Hernandez, Amie Palmer, Lauren Bezze, Crystal Chandler

Griffith's zip code, 46319, is assigned.

The cheerleading squad



Lt. Minter from the Griffith Police Department was killed in a car/train accident at South Collax crossing.

1963



Boys Chorus

First Row: Billy Cahill, Tyler Louviere, Matt Aubrey, Corey Nash, Charlie Cole, David Konopasek, Mike Ramsey Second Row: Mark Jancosek, Kurt Konopasek, Aaron Salezyski, Nate Bryan, Danny McFarlen, Leoadre Cobb, Matt Azpeitia, Randy Zellers, Sean Glade, Jeff Sopko Third Row: Daniel Woloszyn, Eric Ritter, Robert Robinson, Derrick Huzzie, James Buehler, Nathan Lehmann, Jacob Gazarkiewicz



Girls Chorus

First Row: Stephanie Gilman, Erin Auly, Anae Hernandez, Kristina Plucinski, Tavia Barkow, Molly Orzechowicz, Brittany Dunner, Kelly Redden Second Row: Leah Morton, Alexis Gonzalez, Jessica Phillips, Erin Moore, Caitlin Scott, Cailin Moisant, Alyssa Soo, Theresa Sanchez, Lashunda, Jelena Puzos Third Row: Kimberly Therault, Amanda Tharp, Lindsay McCabe, Brittany Ericson, Sam Moore, Kelle Johnson, Noomi Lyles, Vanessa O'Brien, Danielle Wilson, Stephanie Hansen, Shauna Brock, Mark Jancosek Fourth Row: Christa Staes, Megan Verbeke, Ashley Korak, Melony Schmidt, Lori Wartsbaugh, Amanda White, Elizabeth Stanford, Samantha Higgins, Rebecca Cornow, Olivia Wagsman, Miranda Pryor, Kristyn Maynard Fifth Row: Elizabeth Hancock, Ruth Zemke, Katie Horn, Lisa Worley, Adam Massa, Megan Swanson, Tiffany Lidster, Karrie Obranovich, Jasmine Heard, Jessica Gerlich



S.A.D.D

First Row: Whitney Gastaway, Sarah Williams, Laura Matovina, Andrew McMullin, Ashley Cogdill, Officer Starcevic Second Row: Krystal Ulm, Sarah Steinhilber, Bridget Vechey, John Durst, Lori Wartsbaugh, Samantha Shuster, Jessica Bogner, Kim Therault, Jennifer Hancock, Shellane Gomez Third Row: Amanda Jursic, Jessica Beemsterboer, Laura Solivais, Ashley Moses, Charlie Cole, Jeanette Soy, Cassie Johnstone, Amanda MacFarlane, Lisa Dimos, Jacob Gee Fourth Row: Amber Mitchell, Justine Yeager, Ashley Crundwell, Jasmine Heard, Veronica Cook, Fatimah Amara, Heather Crundwell, Queen Adams, Amber Tolson Fifth Row: Belinda Sendejas, Nicole Rodgers, Mindy Grahovac, William McMullin, Josh McPadden, Ashley Burch, Nicole Kubacki, Melissa Ocegueda, Krystal Hess

Junior Joanna Tinich looks through magazines for Junior class council prom planning. Tinich and other Junior class council members used magazines to get ideas for prom such as themes and colors.

Senior Tom Cunningham stays after school to sort mardigras for International Club so they can go out to all the students the next day. Cunningham and other International Club members had success selling mardigras for fifty cents each.



Lindley Clarkson

Andrea McMullin, Family and consumer science, and senior Ross McMullin are both planning events for a pep rally at the student council meeting. All of the student council members planned out the pep rally to be enjoyable for all the students.



The first Beatle's album, "Meet the Beatles," was released in the United States.

Mercantile Bank announced plans to construct a branch in Griffith.

The show "Hello Dolly" opened in New York City's St. James Theater.

School Planning

Kaiva Gordeeva

When you think about clubs, you probably think it's all fun and no work. Although clubs like D.E.C.A. and Drama club are a lot of fun, they also take a lot of planning and hard work to make them as successful as they are. For example, Drama club has to do a lot of planning to make their plays turn out successful, like choosing characters and designing the sets. Students get to go to fun dances such as Prom and Turnabout because class council plans out the theme, music, and other aspects that make dances fun.

Sophomore Ashley Stevens, who is involved in Drama club, says that they have to have a meeting for plays where they discuss crew, make-up, auditions, and points for thespians. "The hardest thing to plan would have to be musicals, but all the other plays we plan are hard as well," Stevens said. Because the drama club plans so nicely, everyone gets to enjoy the great quality of their plays.

Sophomore Sarah Williams is involved in student council and is in charge of the improve your school committee. Williams and other

student council members have to think of ideas to make our school better. To plan for this they have to go and talk to Principal Linda Einsele about the ideas they have to improve Griffith

High School. "It's actually really hard to think of ideas to improve our school, but it's easy to share our ideas with Einsele because she is cooperative," Williams says.

Sophomore Cassie Johnstone is a member of sophomore class council, which gets to plan things like Turnabout. "It takes a lot of hard work to plan Turnabout to make it fun for all of the students,"

"It's pretty hard to choose a song and theme because everyone has different opinions."
Cassie Johnstone 10

Johnstone says.

Johnstone and other class council members plan the song, theme, colors, picture background, and napkin designs for Turnabout. "It's pretty hard to choose the song and theme for Turnabout because everyone has different opinions," Johnstone said.

A club without planning would be nothing. A lot of class council members agree that it takes plenty of hard work to make all of the clubs as successful as they are.



Lyndley Clarkson



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Sophomores Andrew McMullin and Jessica Koch sit down and listen to ideas for Turnabout at a sophomore class council meeting. Sophomore class council members choose things like the song and color scheme for Turnabout.

"The Bullwinkle Show"
began on NBC TV.

Scientists announced findings
that smoking can cause cancer.

1964

Out of the Ordinary

Natalie Mazur

Not every club goes by the book. This could be because they do not want to be the same as everyone else. When a club is mentioned, they want to be able to be distinguished from all of the others. Unique ideas make clubs more interesting and appealing to a larger number of people.

Clubs do not have to travel far in order to be considered different. There are many activities to include oneself in at school, around Griffith, and

even in neighboring towns. The most common activity seen in our school throughout the year were the posters and banners the clubs made to support their fellow classmates. In an effort to get the entire student body involved, further steps were taken.

"I think it's good to acknowledge all the hard work and dedication that students put forth. That's why student council decided to organize the Fan Jam," said senior Ashley Hooper, president. "It's good to be able to do something different

than making posters to put up in the hallways."

International Club, sponsored by Katherine Martinez, Spanish, and Nanette Narnajo, French, made and went out on several field trips last year. They visited the Art Institute of Chicago, Medieval Times, and participated in a couple of parades.

"The idea behind International Club was to do the fun activities with all the students that are really interested in foreign ideas," said Martinez. "As well as having meetings after school, we also try to watch a foreign-based movie, like 'Bend It Like Beckham.'"

Whether a club stays in the school, around town, or travels far away, they will have something unique and entertaining to do. Participating in activities that are not the everyday norm is a way to keep the "tortures" of school to a minimum. Join a club, you might discover you've been missing out.

"The idea behind International Club was to do the fun activities with all the students that are really interested in foreign ideas."

**Katherine Martinez,
Spanish**

Sophomores Ashley Cogdill and Laura Matovina laugh over a joke at Plaza Lanes. Both Cogdill and Matovina bowled in the Saturday afternoon league. Bowling is one of the unique activities students can participate in at GHS.



Student Ron Bell greeted students each morning with the daily announcements.

"Stranger in Paradise" was the 1965 prom theme. Prom was held on May 9.



construction workers hurried to complete the building before the September rush of students. History repeats itself in Griffith.

Browsing the gift shop, juniors Meagan Simon and Julie Czerwenak scope out some jewelry after the show at Midway Times. "The best part of Midway Times was the fact that I didn't have to be in school, and I was able to be with my friends," said Simon.

Hoping to stay warm at the East Chicago train station, senior Megan Matusk and her dad await transportation. One of the janitors donated extra blankets and shoes to Margie Keithly, FOCLA. She decided to give them to homeless people living in Chicago.



Drake Bistrow

What makes your club different than any other?



"I think that student council's Christmas party was different. We played musical chairs with over 15 people."

Elyse Janke, freshman

"The science olympiad team funds and teaches themselves. We don't have any teacher help."

Adam Brandner, sophomore



Junior and senior boys enjoyed swimming laps and using the high dive during and after school.



Varsity Club

First Row: Taylor Monson, Amber Kasbabin, Christina Bonocka, Melissa Miecznikowski, Carly Kalczynski, Emily Eldridge, Katie Govert, Jamie Lasagakov, Matthew Melton, Sarah Panner, Alie Wiksegg, Lauren Cerny, Claudia Curms, Ryan Walsh, Tim Kessel Second Row: Julie Czerwenak, Darcy Covert, Michael Albright, Mirinda Grahovac, Jeffrey Martin, Eric Doran, Caitlin Dufley, Elissa Hessler, Koleigh Koster, Megan Sudock Third Row: Taitley, Natalie, Julie Sims, Abigail Hinchey, Wendy Holmes, Rachelle Chandler, Brenda Bonnot, Natalie Mezz, Krisian Schultz, Martina Rybicki, Tiffany Lindsay Fourth Row: Jessica Bankie, Erica Naaman, Jim Swenconeck, Caitlin Trautman, Nicole Kubacki, Rosalinda Sendejas, Chantey Bryan, Katie Krajnak, Alicia Kiehlava, Shannon Trausicht, Dana Collins, Charlotte Joseph, Lisa Worley, Ashley Burch, Russ Radtke Fifth Row: Lawrence Walsh, Noah Zernke, Eric Arcella, Nicholas Kiner, Andrew Eulver, Caleb Matthews, Tommy Doppler, Matthew Denny, Josh Gonzalez, Luis Villarreal, Richard Stuchinarz, Stephen Hellen, Bradley Gidewell, Joshua Bridgemoor Sixth Row: Eric Andree, Drew Rogowski, Matthew Nellemen, Nicholas Chavale, Aaron Rods, Ross McMullin, Thomas Knoerzer, Andrew Thomas, John Schultz, Jerred Zukarovich, Joseph Wagman, Christopher Brown, Jack Kosinski Seventh Row: Stephen Fry, Jesse Hornoley, Matthew Valois, Richard Lehmann, Nicholas Lamchi, Shawn Ramsey, Alex Plenson, Colin Stage, Todd Polgar, Aaron Cavoski, Matthew Vackovic, Arkadiusz Ryzak, Hunter Rogowski



Varsity Club

First Row: Russ Radtke, Sarah Zaio, Samantha Barlog, Ashley Schaller, Taitha Minton, Joy Hellen, Crystal Gonzalez, Christina Lozano, Brittany Miles, Amy Baran Second Row: Melissa Oesguera, Trista Guerra, Jennifer Hancock, Kelley Jusko, Lisa Guzman, Star Sepulveda, Alicia Soes, Nicole Rodgers, Heather Banks Third Row: Jeff Sopko, Julie Czerwenak, Mallory Guffin, Caitlin Terpsita, Michelle Wanstler, Tina Guvo, Ashley Rowdion, Belinda Sendejas, Karina Damski, Zachary Hinchey Fourth Row: Britany Clark, Sofia Aguilar, Nicole Schomke, David Melton, Daniel Lewis, Kyle Pitt, Tommy Cunningham, Christina Valeria, Crystal Bermudez Fifth Row: Joana Trinch, Melissa Wilczynski, Sarah Thorp, Kathryn O'Brien, Mark Brown, Anthony Lopez, Joy Lindsay, Kall Wierkowsky, Sara Brines, Kristen Kowopsek Sixth Row: Alexander Tarnis, Santana Adame, Justin Lynn, Jose Escobedo, Andree Hernandez, Luis Reyna, Ryan Fontress, Danny Blount, Anael Escobedo



Art Club

First Row: Melissa Oesguera, Aaron Greer, Katie Alloscal, Erica Neuman, Ashley Hooper, Joey Salazar Second Row: Timothy Garbay, Jonathan Ross, Don Godberry, Arkadiusz Ryzak, Joshua McJannet Third Row: Calvin Schaller, Matthew Marshall, Dennis Vessell, Kyle Radulski

Spanish students listened to tapes in the lab. The tapes provided grammar drills.



1965



Honor Society

First Row: Jovanka Balac, Star Sepulveda, William McMullin, Lauren Convery Second Row: Alyson Laurencell, Taylor Morton, Crystal Bernudez, Emily Etheridge, Sarah Planer, Claudio Gurrola, Carly Salczynski, Kaitlyn O'Brien, Brittany Clark, Sara Brines, Kelley Jusko Third Row: Jennifer Hancock, Natalie Mazur, Matt Mellon, Amber Kasbohm, Bradley Beigle, Rosalinda Sendijas, Julie Caservnak, Sarah Tharp, Michael Cahill, Nicole Rodgers Fourth Row: Jim Swienconek, Charity Bryan, Ashley Hooper, Rich Lehmann, Joe Wagman, Hunter Rogowski, Brett Newman



Jazz Band

First Row: Lisa Guzman, Andrew Maniz, Sarah Williams, Kara Johnson, Second Row: Alison Durham, Rosalinda Sendijas, Drew Thomas, Nick Leap, Lyndley Clarkson, Michael Cahill Third Row: Charity Bryan, Krzysztof Zembrowski, Don Gadberry, Eric Barnard, Matthew Vaccavik, Andrew McMullin, Jennifer Covington



Concert Band

First Row: Kara Johnson, Lisa Guzman, Jovanka Balac, Jessica Shucklett, Sarah Williams, Andre Rodgers, Alison Durham Second Row: Michael Cahill, Lyndley Clarkson, Elizabeth Gollner, Drew Thomas, Audrey Tolson, Rosalinda Sendijas, Justine Yeager, Nick Leap Third Row: Charity Bryan, Krzysztof Zembrowski, Don Gadberry, Matthew Vaccavik, Eric Barnard, Andrew McMullin, Jennifer Covington



9th ACES

First Row: Terry Ramos, Jessica Gerlich, Ashley Korak, Randall Zellars, Billy Cahill Second Row: James Bobowski, Lisa Worley, Kevin Meece, Matthew Kuna, Eric Ritter

Working on the sets for "Pirates of Penzance," junior Bradley Glidewell builds a platform for the orchestra pit. "Safety first when Brad builds sets," Glidewell said. Members from the crew spent up to eight hours a night building sets.

Working hard, senior Kelly Baldazo wraps gifts for underprivileged children. Students pulled names off of the care tree, then bought presents that went with the age and sex of the child.



Lyndley Clarkson



Panthers were undefeated in the track relay.

Swimmers take conference crown in first year



It's Not All Fun and Games

Emily Adams

Working is a physical and mental effort or activity. One would think that clubs are just all fun, but it takes a lot of hard work. Many of our clubs here take effort and a lot of time.

Band this year held a blood drive that had a great outcome. Senior Jennifer Covington said, "I think the outcome of the blood drive was great! I was really appreciative of every person that came."

The blood drive took over two months to prepare for. Band members put up flyers, had it put in the Panther Press, and told people in the Griffith community.

Senior Charity Bryan said, "preparing for the blood drive was somewhat easy. The hardest part was talking to students, and having them turn in their permission slips the next day."

Some students came to donate blood and were not able to because they had

been sick. Some of those students went to Heartland a few days later and donated. The band hopes to do this again next year.

"Doing the blood drive could be an annual event for the GHS band. I hope it is because it's a good thing to do for others. It saved so many lives and that is really awesome that we did that," Covington said.

D.E.C.A also does activities that take plenty of hard work. This year D.E.C.A

held Care Tree. The Care Tree had mittens and hats for poor children.

Junior Veronica Cook said, "The Care Tree was a great idea. After we did the Care Tree, I felt good inside."

D.E.C.A has been doing the Care Tree for many years, and plans to keep on doing it for many years to come.

Working is something most students don't like to do, but it has to be done. It's not all fun and games. Clubs require work too.

"The blood drive was great! I was really appreciative of every person that came."
Jennifer Covington 12



Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

Entertaining and making people feel better, freshmen Ryan Bandera talks to sophomore Dustin Murray as he donates blood. "It was kind of boring and having someone to talk to was nice," Murray said.

Leading a student council meeting, sophomore Andrew McMullin and senior Ashley Hooper talk about what is going on in the school this week. "Being part of student council is really fun, and it teaches me a lot," McMullin said.

Griffith High School golfers win their conference.



New tennis team starts career and finishes 25.

1966

Having Fun

Elise Dixon

Having fun is a necessity when it comes to extracurricular activities and clubs in which students participate. Many different clubs, such as DECA, Bowling Club, ACES and International Club take many field trips to go to different places to see and experiences new things.

DECA member, junior Andreyea Stack remembers when DECA went to Indianapolis.

"Staying in a hotel with one of my friends in Indianapolis was one of the times that I had a lot of fun," said Stack.

International Club is also one of the many clubs that takes a lot of field trips. Medieval Times is one of the places that International Club took a field trip to.

A member of International Club, junior Julie Cservenak, had a blast when she went to Medieval Times. "It was really funny because a chaperone from another school yelled at me after

my knight attempted to throw me a flower," said Cservenak. "He was definitely throwing it to me but the guy in front of me stole it and we almost got into a fight."

Also, Drama Club is an excellent club with a lot of student interaction. Drama club members produce plays and have a lot of fun when practicing. Not only do the students put in long

hours of practicing, but they also play different theater games.

Drama Club member, sophomore Ashley Stevens said, "There are a lot of funny moments—mostly with people forgetting lines and props falling down on them."

Clubs bring students closer together and let them experience many different things. Interaction of students in clubs helps with responsibility and lets them enjoy school more. Just remember, it's all about having fun.

"I like to hang out with friends that I usually don't get to by doing extracurricular activities."

Julie Cservenak 11

During some spare time at a drama club practice, sophomores Mike McCrary, Crystal Chandler and freshman Elizabeth Stanford sneak around to get pop and snacks at one of their late-night practices.



The first clone of a vertebrate, a South African tree frog, was produced.

In 1967 minimum wage was \$1.00, and the average salary was \$4,743.

Both abortion and artificial insemination became legal in some states.

Having fun during some off time for pep band, sophomore Andrew Vlacik and freshman Adam Gasper play Dance Dance Revolution with the X-box system. The band traveled to Calumet and had a wonderful time doing both band and non-band activities.

Performing on the sidelines, seniors Taylor Morton, Allie Woloszyn and Emily Etheridge along with Juniors Samantha Barlog and Elise Dixon have fun at a varsity boys basketball game. The Pantherettes performed on the sidelines during the pre-game.



Q: What club do you enjoy being in the most?



"I like class council because you get to represent your class, and prom planning is also fun."

Megan Sudac, junior

"I like booster club because it is a good way to show school spirit, and it gives you a chance to decorate the school."

Wendi Holmes, junior



Booster Club

First Row: Lauren Convey, Elise Dixon, Taylor Morton, Emily Etheridge, Wendi Holmes, Joanna Trinch, Samantha Barlog Second Row: Brittany Miller, Caitlin Dudley, Amber Kasbohm, Katie Govert, Sarah Steinhube, Abigail Hinchey, Luis Reyosa, Sarah Planer, Matthew Melton, Julie Sims, Ashton Kepple, Lisa Guzman, Miranda Pryor, Heather Banks, Molly Orzechowicz Third Row: Ryan Pentress, Brad Glidewell, Nicole Rodgers, Mindy Grahovac, Jack Kosinski, Kaleigh Kistler, Kristen Schultz, Mimi Wilczynski, Mallory Gatlin, Caitlin Terpsira, Jose Escobedo Fourth Row: Tommy Doppler, Amanda Jursic, Jessica Phillips, Allison Kayden, Laura Solivais, Allie Woloszyn, Aaron Ricks, Melony Cabrales, Karrie Obravovich, Matthew Denny, Tabitha Minton, Stacy Sanchez, Ashley Schaller, Jessica Bogner, Sarah Williams Fifth Row: Kelly Redden, Jeanette Soy, Daniel Woloszyn, Rich Studniarz, Nick Kitner, Melissa Miecznikowski, Carly Salczynski, Christina Boncela, Megan Sudac, Rob Lafayette, Ashley Cogdill, Christina Lozano, Samantha Kulig, Crystal Gonzalez, Kim Tuzar, Jasmine Allen Sixth Row: Ashley Hooper, Amanda Borders, Ashley Burch, Megan Swanson, Queen Adams, Jim Swieneczek, Courtney Morgan, Brenda Bernotas, Katie Johnson, Meghan Wright, Jen Covington, Amy Baran, Amber Detmar, Jessica Gerlich, Olivia Barlow Sixth Row: Christina Hoffman, Hunter Rogowski, Nick Choate, Shawn Ramsey, Jesse Homoky, John Schultz, Erica Naaman, Joe Wagman, Brett Newman, Charity Bryan, Brittany Lee, Danielle Wilson, Bradley Beigle



12th ACES

First Row: Taylor Morton, Lauren Convey, Michael Cahill, Natalie Mazur, David Milanez, Teresa Rarios Second Row: Catherine Woerner, Jimmy Long, Stephen Hellen, Sean Dobis



Spell Bowl

First Row: Olivia Barlow, Matthew Melton, Julie Cservenak, Lyndsey Clarkson, Charles Cole, Heather Banks Second Row: Jessica Gerlich, Ruth Zemke, Megan Swanson, Nicole Kubbicki, Jennifer Hancock, Krystal Ulm

An estimated 850,000 "war babies" freshmen entered college.

President Johnson met with his Soviet counterpart, Aleksi Kosygin, in a summit meeting held in New Jersey

1967

Workin' It Out

Amie Palmer

To cooperate means to work or act together towards a common goal. Some clubs such as Drama club or Panther Press have to rely on each other in order to reach that goal.

Cooperation is a main theme for many clubs. On the Panther Press the main key to the paper getting out on time is the staff working together. Sophomore Jennifer Handley said, "If no one on the paper worked together it would never get out on time, and if it did it would be of really poor quality. The whole paper would just be bad."

"Cooperation is so important in drama. Just like little things, like where you stand or what your lines are," said sophomore Ashley Stevens.

Working with other people is hard for some, for others it just comes naturally. "I usually don't have much trouble getting along with other people, I'm pretty flexible," Mark Jancosek, choir, said.

"Everyday we have to get along with each other in order to get through the day."
Mark Jancosek, choir

"I only have problems cooperating with people if they just don't show up to practice or to rehearsals. It always seems to be one person who decides not to show up and messes everyone up," said Stevens.

How would things be if no one worked together? Would anything ever get done? "All of my classes would be horrible. I believe that getting along with others is the hardest thing to do in life because you have to apply it to your everyday life. Everyday we have to get along with each other in order to get through the day," said Jancosek.

"There are so many aspects of drama and so many things, like stage crew and the actors, that go into drama that if no one cooperated the whole production would be a mess," said Stevens.

No matter what club you are in or even where you're trying to go in life, cooperation is practically required to get through it.

Trying to get senior Thomas Knoerzer to laugh, senior Keenan Hecht is being held back by juniors Bradley Gidewell, Kevin Horn, and Jeffery Martin. The boys were rehearsing a scene for the spring musical "Pirates of Penzance."



Civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated while standing on his hotel balcony in Memphis, Tennessee.

Shoulder harnesses became required in cars.

Superintendent William R. Cheever predicted that most Lake County schools would be closed by 1970 because of financial problems.

Caroling in the halls around Christmas time is tradition for chorale. Juniors Richard Lehmann and Jim Swienconeck sing during sixth hour the day before Christmas break. "It was cool because it got us out of class for a little while," said Swienconeck.

Working through a tough spot in a dance sequence for Pirates of Penzance, Lisa Megquier, English, shows sophomore Ashton Kepple how it's done. "We all had to make up a certain part, but it wasn't that hard to pull together," said Kepple.



Lyndley Clarkson

Q: What would the world be like if people did not cooperate?



"The whole world would be just total chaos."
Veronica Cook, junior

"There would be no authority and everything would be a complete mess."
Arkadiusz Ryzak, sophomore



Lyndley Clarkson

Lyndley Clarkson



Reflector

First Row: Kristina Kraiko, Christina Boncela Second Row: Shannon Henderson, Lauren Becze, Fatimah Amara, Ashley Cogdill, Lyndley Clarkson, Amie Palmer, Natalie Mazur, Kendra Terzari Third Row: Laura Soliva, Megan Sudac, Krzysztof Zembrowski, Drake Bistrow, Doug Abbott, Elise Dixon, Robert Bridegroom



Quill & Scroll

First Row: Kristina Kraiko, Emily Etheridge, Christina Boncela, David Melton, Bradley Beigle Second Row: Kendra Terzari, Matthew Melton, Natalie Mazur, Amie Palmer, Robert Bridegroom, Lauren Becze, Shannon Henderson Third Row: Laura Matovina, Emily Cutka, Elise Dixon, Ashley Cogdill, Lyndley Clarkson, Laura Soliva Fourth Row: Doug Abbott, Drake Bistrow, Krzysztof Zembrowski, Adam Brandner, Megan Sudac



Panther Press

First Row: Emily Etheridge, David Melton, Bradley Beigle, Kristina Kraiko Second Row: Laura Soliva, Laura Matovina, Matthew Melton, Emily Cutka, Bridgett Vechey, Natalie Mazur, Christopher Fuoss Third Row: Jennifer Handley, Megan Sudac, Michael White, Adam Brandner, Andrew Oltmanns, Brian Bell, Katya Gordceva

1968

The Chevrolet Blazer opened up the sport utility vehicle market.

Helping Hands

Kendra Terzarial

Not all clubs are the same. Some clubs set up activities for the school, like Activities Day, or some even plan the school dances. There are some clubs that like to spend their time helping other people that are less fortunate than themselves. The FCCLA and the student council are a couple of the clubs whose names come to mind.

The student council helps needy people each year when they hold their annual food drive. To make the food drive more fun, the club held a contest around Thanksgiving time between each fifth hour class to see which class could raise the most food. Students get into the spirit of the food drive and there are good results from it.

The FCCLA is a club that is based on helping people. For the club's first fundraiser, they had students donate a

dollar then they could walk in the Homecoming parade with their pet, or a friend's pet. The money they raised went to the Humane Society.

The FCCLA has also helped the homeless. "Our club is mostly based on volunteering. There is no end to what these kids can do!" textiles teacher and club sponsor Margie Keithley said.

The club had students go to a homeless shelter for an entire school day. Students went to the shelter, cleaned rooms, had lunch at a certain time, and also visited single mothers' rooms.

The FCCLA and the student council enjoy helping out others in need. They are different from other clubs because they use their time to volunteer and make the world a better place, not only for the people, but for themselves.

"The food drive was the most successful it has ever been, because we collected over 10,000 items."
Matthew Melton II

Giving out flowers to classes, sophomore Justine Yeager volunteers with student council to aid in the delivery process. "It was fun to pass out the roses," said Yeager. "because I got to get out of class."



Andrew Oliniaus



First human eye transplant was performed.

North Korea shot at a United States airplane above Japan.

Decorating lockers for swimming, juniors Jeffery Martin and Michael Albright work together to spin crepe paper into a fun design. The hallways tended to be decorated around senior nights and sectionals.

Doing his part, senior Keenan Hecht helps volunteer at coffee night. "Volunteering is very rewarding," said Hecht. "I am just glad I can always help out and my part for the school," said Hecht.



Lyndley Clarkson



Emily Etheridge

Being a friend, junior Kelly Jusko gets into a good conversation with a senior citizen for a group trip with honor society. "It was cool getting to know them," said Jusko. "They even knew some of our grandparents."



10th ACES

First Row: Joy Hellen, Sidney Govett, Andrew Masur, Alan Kus, Terry Raimos. Second Row: Timothy Garibay, Katie Krajnak, Nicholas Leep, Caitlin Terpstra, Lyndley Clarkson



11th ACES

First Row: Kristen Konopasek, Kali Werkowski, Allison Durham, Matthew Melton, Claudio Gurrola, Terry Ramos Second Row: Dana Collins, Don Gaddberry, Kevin Torok, Brett Newman, Julie Cservenak



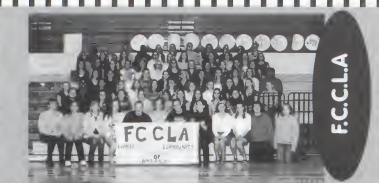
International Club

First Row: Jovanka Balac, Tommy Cunningham, Julie Cservenak, Christina Boncela, Taylor Morton. Second Row: Amber Tolson, Jessica Koch, Shellae Gomez, Martina Rybacki, Trista Guerra, Jennifer Hancock, Jose Escobedo, Christina Kireta, Melissa Ocoaguera, Nicole Rodgers, Lisa Dimos, Kimberly Therault, Natalie Masur, Third Row: Kyle Raduski, Crystal Bermudez, Joanna Tlinch, Jeff Sopko, Lisa Gluzman, Kali Werkowski, Sara Brines, Angela Snigla, Andre Rodgers, Sarah Steinhubel, Fourth Row: Benjamin Bartley, Katie Kleidon, Erin Moore, Joy Hellen, Claudio Gurrola, Jeanette Soy, Laura Soliva, Star Sepulveda, Krystal Ulm, Olivia Wagman, Meagan Simon, Kaitlyn O'Brien, Fifth Row: Matthew Melton, Bridgett Vechey, Darcy Govett, David Milane, Whitney Gasaway, Alicia Byrns, Tiffany Lidster, Rebecca Curnow, Kyle Young, Charles Cole, Sarah Williams, Laura Matovina, Sixth Row: Jessica Beemsterboer, Ashlee Moses, Nicholas Kimer, Mindy Grahovac, queen Adams, Heather Crundwell, Brenda Bernotus, Robert Lafayette, Audrey Tolson, Fatimah Amara, Ashley Burch, Ashton Kepple, Seventh Row: Jasmine Heard, Rosalinda Sendejas, Nicole Kubacki, Katie Abascal, Charolotte Joseph, William McMullin, Joseph Wagman, Charity Bryan, Dana Collins, Veronica Cook, Amanda MacFarlane, Ashlee Crundwell, Mike Cheesebrough, Stephen Hellen, Jack Kosinski, John Schultz, Colin Stage, Jonathan Ross, Jerred Zukanovich, Aaron Ricks, Eric Arcella, Anthony Lopez, Arkadiusz Ryzak

The Apollo 9 astronauts splashed down ending a mission.

John Madden was named head coach of the NFL's Oakland Raiders.

1969



F.C.C.L.A.

Singing their hearts out, members of chorus, senior Thomas Knoerzer, and juniors Michael Albright and Kevin Horn, practice singing their music in choir each day for their concert. "Practicing is more enjoyable since Mr. [Mark] Jancosek became our director," Horn said.

Dancing down the hallway with a parasol in hand, sophomore Crystal Chandler practices her dance routine for the play, "Pirates of Penzance". She is one of the thirteen girls chosen to be in the play to sign and dance.

First Row: Andrew McMullin, Jennifer Hancock, Nicole Kettwig, Anaisa Jurse, Ross McMullin, Andrea McMullin, Benjamin Bartley, Anna Kowalski, Angela Smigla, Cassandra Johnston, Kyle Raduski, Jessica Shacklett Second Row: Nicholas Kitzer, Ashley Blanchard, Shellane Gomez, Lisa Dimos, Christina Lozano, Samantha Barlog, Melissa Oreguera, Melissa Miecznikowski, Fatimah Amara Third Row: Cristi Steffek, Jasmine Allen, Miranda Pryor, Lauren Csonka, Jamie Scholte, Heather Banks, Nicole Rodgers, Nikki Cornett, Crystal Bechtold, Patrice Martinson, Jessica Beemsterboer, Josh Etheridge Fourth Row: Latricia Webb, Sidney Govert, Darcy Govert, Emily Adams, Amie Palmer, Stephanie Griffin, Taylor Morton, Lisa Markut, Claudia Rybacki, Mallory Gatlin, Lauren Clark, Andre Rodgers, Fifth Row: Allie Woloszyn, Kaleigh Kistler, Jenny Welch, Laura Soliva, Jessica Koch, Bridgett Vechey, Sarah Williams, Jessica Shacklett, Caitlin Moisan, Alyssa Szo, Rebecca Curnow, Crystal Bermudez, Laura Matovina, Crystal Chandler, Mindy Grahovac, Arlene Tolson, Ashley Baker, Martina Rybacki, Alana Massa, Olivia Wagman, Katie Kleidon, Brenda Bernotas, Christina Kireta, Sarah Steinhubei Seventh Row: Jasmine Heard, Krystal Ulm, Amber Azpeitia, Kyle Young, Amanda MacFarlane, Veronica Cook, Zachary Stevens, Kelli Dewees, Whitney Gassaway, Meghan Wright, Nicole Kubacki



Lyndley Clarkson

Tapping a beat, freshman Nathan Bryan bangs on the drums, practicing for the big game. "Playing the drums is a very fun skill, and I plan to be in band until I am a senior," Bryan said.



Student Council

First Row: Andrea McMullin, Carly Salczynski, Ashley Hooper, Andrew McMullin, Laura Matovina Second Row: Cory McCarter, Nicole Rodgers, Claudio Gurrola, Emily Etheridge, Allie Woloszyn, Joy Lindsay, Matthew Melton, Amanda Tharp, Annie Hernandez Third Row: Amanda Jurse, Laura Soliva, Ashlee Moses, Brittany Erikson, Elyse Janke, Cassandra Johnston, Amber Kasoborn, Sarah Williams Fourth Row: Charles Cole, Justine Yeager, Megan Swanson, Kevin Moore, Ashley Cogdill, Jeanette Soy, Katie Govert



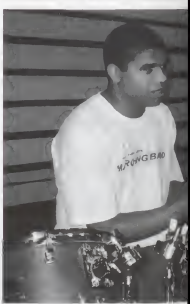
D.E.C.A.

First Row: Elisa Chavez, Alicia Davis, Kelly Balda, Catherine Woerner, Second Row: Sidney Wynn, Kyra Edmon, Lisa Dimos, Jasmine Allen, Donald Ispas, Thom Howell, Third Row: Dominique Sims, Maigen Pawlowski, Laura Pinkerton, Krystyn Pope-Will Hernandez, Jennifer Mackey, Taffi Blythe, Matthew Melton, Shellane Gomez Fourth Row: James Dye, Laura Matovina, Jasmine Heard, Andreyka Stack, Amber Azpeitia, Brittany Erikson, Zach Najjar, Eric Keller, Fifth Row: Veronica Cook, Chris Dunagan, Brian Prescott, Cory McCarter, Christopher Jamison, Danny Rhoten, Rico Davis

Student Council held a party at the school for 60 orphan boys, where Santa passed out a personal package to each one.



Griffith's Chamber of Commerce President, Ed Connell I, presents a check to Community Spirit leader Rolo Riggle



In the 1970's, a second Blythe's store opened in Griffith. Located on East Main Street, the store sold boats and snowmobiles

Practice Makes Perfect

Mimi Wilczynski

Wake up, go to school, go home, and go to bed. That is the schedule for a lot of students at Griffith High School. However, for many other students that is not the norm. Many students have dedicated their time to practicing for clubs. They come before, or after school, and even on the weekends. Students practice over and over again in order to be able to perform their best.

"Every day in choir I practice singing," junior, Joanna Tinich, a member of concert choir, said. "When a concert comes around, there are 7:00 a.m., Saturday morning rehearsals. For ISMAA, I even have to come either before or after school."

For other students, club practices are entertaining. Besides enjoying what they are doing, students get a chance to hang out with their friends. "At first the whole cast warms up together. We do tongue twisters, trust games, and improvement games," junior Kelly Jusko a member of Drama Club said. These games help the cast to improve their speech ability. "After warm ups, we run through the play two or three times and fix all of our mistakes," Jusko said.

Clubs may sound very entertaining to some people, but a member of band, senior Charity Bryan, said, "For the most part, I enjoy going to practice, but some days I just dread it."

Sometimes practices can be tough, and even exhausting. "I think that practice would be better if people put forth more effort, and actually want to be there," Bryan said.

Students from other clubs, may feel a little different. Junior Joe Wagman, a member of chorale said, "My favorite thing about practicing, is

not practicing at all. The best time I have is when Mr. J goes over the girls parts, and the guys just sit there and listen."

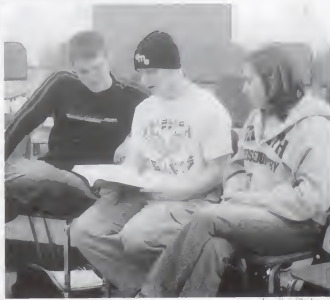
Dedication is a key point in any club a student joins. They have to go into it knowing that a lot of time is going to be spent at practice. Students must enjoy clubs to be in them. The time sacrificed for a perfect performance is what these students strive for. They want their chance in the spotlight, and a chance to show off their talent. In order to get there, they must practice, because after all, practice makes perfect.

"For the most part, I enjoy going to practice, but some days I just dread it."
Charity Bryan 12

Looking a little confused, senior Keenan Hecht, and juniors Jeffery Martin and Julie Cservenak learn the music for the play "Pirates of Penzance". The lead roles came in the early morning to practice the music for the play.



Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

A special committee of teachers, parents, and students aired their views on student dress code. Some were satisfied with the idea of more leniency, while others wanted appropriate dress code, permitting girls to wear slacks, and boys to wear blue jeans, and grow long hair.

Welcome to GRIFFITH
A SONG WITH COMMUNITY SPIRIT
Our SPIRIT is our FUTURE.

One of the two signs that welcomed people to Griffith

1970

It's All About

Megan Sudac

What is it all really about? Many wonder with all the students here at GHS how do we keep them so active? Well, GHS has so many different clubs to offer to all of their students. Some clubs that are pretty popular among the students are Booster Club, Drama Club, DECA, Class Council, and Student Council.

There are many clubs that students don't even know exist. "I would say that the majority of our high school does not even know that we have a bowling club,"

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Josh McFadden, 12

Each club does something different for the school in one way or another. For example, Booster Club members decorate the halls during Homecoming

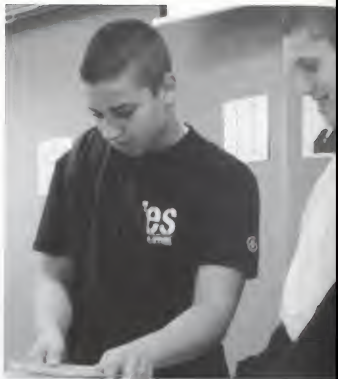
and make signs for different sporting and academic events that goes on during the school year. Student Council organizes the Homecoming activities and dance as well as dealing with fundraisers. Class Council deals with dances and things to revolve around their own class of peers.

It doesn't stop there though. The Drama Club is also a well-known club that many students like to take part in. This club puts in many hours before and after school to put on plays for the students and the community. But students don't have to have a role in the play to be in drama club, some students work on the sets while others take care of make-up and wardrobe.

So with all of the clubs at GHS students have plenty of after school activities to choose from.

Sitting in the library working on his homework, sophomore John Sellins finishes up. Working in the library is easier than working in classrooms or at home because it is so much more quiet. "I don't have to listen to anything except myself think," Sellins said.

Sophomores Lauren Beece and Sidney Govert are preparing material for a class project on the Greeks. "I like how teachers have us do projects instead of just doing notes because it makes class interesting and I get better grades," Beece said.



Astronauts aboard Appollo 14
lift off for a mission to the moon

A ban on television cigarette advertisements
goes into effect in the United States

A new stock market index
called the Nasdaq debuts



Having fun playing with their food, sophomores Brandon Carpenter, and Jordan Lagastee snap lids on Tupperware bowls to keep the food fresh. Little do both of their parents know that they have some world class chefs on their hands.

Working in the auditorium, senior Josh McFadden drills together a prop. "I like working on houses, and doing other things with my hands. I guess that's just what I'm all about," McFadden said.



Satchel Paige becomes the first Negro League player to become voted into the baseball hall of fame.



Drama Club

First Row: Derek Kowal, Kelley Jusko, Brad Glidewell, Heidi Gerdes, Michael Albright, Taylor Morton, Jace McMullin, Matt Melton, Molly Orzechowicz, Olivia Barlow Second Row: Lisa Dimos, Jeff Söpkö, Lisa Guzman, Nicole Rodgers, Joy Lindsay, Elizabeth Hancock, Caitlin Race, Kojelyte Johanson, Annie Palmer, Alyson Laurencell Third Row: Kelly Redden, Jessica Gerlich, Sara Byrnes, Laura Solivias, Sarah Williams, Laura Matovina, Cassandra Johnstone, Kaitlyn O'Brien, Tom Cunningham, Jennifer Hancock, Leah Morton Fourth Row: Karrie Obravovich, Matt Aubrey, Brittany Erikson, Ashley Stevens, Ryan Berry, Alicia Collins, Rebecca Cumow, Corey Blanchard, Charlie Cole, Lori Wartsbaugh, Amanda White Fifth Row: Jon Ashenbaugh, Ashlee Moses, Ashton Keppie, Jacob Gee, Katie Kleidon, Tiffany Lidster, Heather Crundwell, Jessica Koch, Emily Etheridge, Megan Turner, Elyse Janke Sixth Row: Elizabeth Sanford, Josh McFadden, Katie Abascal, Jeff Martin, Courtney Morgan, Kevin Horn, Brenda Bernotas, Julie Cervenak, Jeanette Soy, Ashley Cogdill Seventh Row: Thomas Knoerzer, Amanda McFarlane, Veronica Cook, Katie Krajnak, Ashley Hooper, Arek Ryzak, Kevin Meece, Megan Swanson, Whitney Gasaway, Queen Adams



Freshman Class Council

First Row: Sean Glade, Jessica Gerlich, Charlie Cole, David Konopasek, Kurt Konopasek, Olivia Barlow Second Row: Ruth Zemke, Daniel McFarlane, Aaron Salczynski, Dan Wolozyn, Matt Kuna, Megan Swanson, Carey Nash

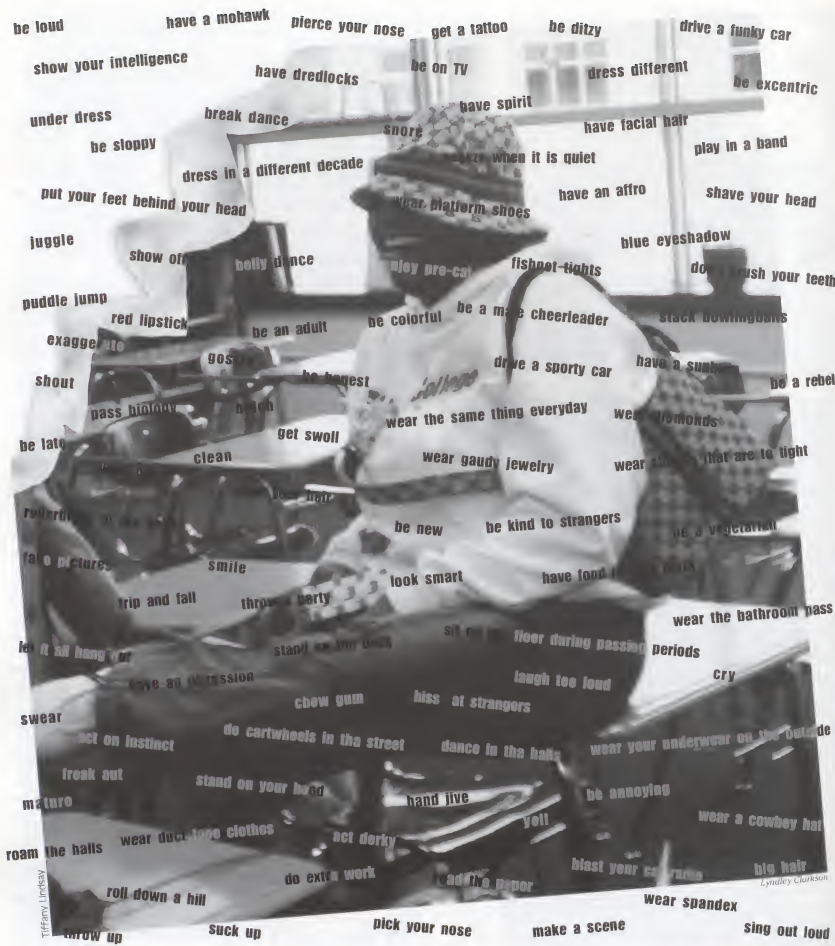


Sophomore Class Council

First Row: Sidney Govert, Caralyn Salczynski, Emily Cuike, Adam Brandtner, Sarah Williams, Joy Hellen Second Row: Cassandra Johnstone, Jessica Koch, Laura Matovina, Arek Ryzak, Mallory Gatlin, Jace McMullin, Caitlin Terpsira

The voting age in the United States is reduced to 18 from 21

1971



"Hood" was the slang term that was used to describe the students that smoked in the bathrooms during school.

After the game students would go to A&W.

Teibels held the annual publications banquet.

The US withdraws from Vietnam.

100 Ways to...

Stand Out

Standing out in a crowd means being different. But being different can be a good or a bad thing.

Students at Griffith try to be different while staying the same. "I'm just me, no one else besides myself matters to me, so I don't have to worry about impressing anybody else," junior Donna Klein said. But it's easier to be different when people don't expect students to be the same. "I'm not expected to be like anyone else, so it's easier to be different," Klein said.

Another reason that people stand out is to get attention and turn heads. "I like to get people to notice me, and I can also be an individual," senior Hilman Lozano said. Lozano thinks that it is better to be yourself instead of trying to be cool and follow what everyone else is doing.

Students don't always except others for being different and going against the grain. "Sometimes society doesn't approve and will ridicule you," Lozano said. "Sometimes things are acceptable to society and sometimes they aren't, but you don't get to pick which ones."

Senior Joshua McFadden doesn't think that he stands out but he does respect the right of others to get noticed in a crowd. "It's their choice so they should be able to do what they want to as long as it doesn't hurt anyone," McFadden said.

~Christina Boncela



Lyndley Clarkson

Banging on a jar of Skippy, junior Rosalinda Sendejas makes a racket. The band was waiting for the parents meeting to start and had an extra jar left over from the blood drive. Standing out in the crowd, the four state champions get acknowledged for their achievements at the fan jam. Seniors Alexander Tsirtsis, Andrae Hernandez, and Jose Escobedo, and junior Angel Escobedo proudly sport their state medals.



Lyndley Clarkson



GHS student hanging election materials

The Reflector staff presents the first annual "Sweetheart" Ball on February 11.

Richard Nixon declares the first "war on drugs."

John F. Kennedy takes the oath of office as President of the United States.

1972

Senior Superlatives



Best Body

Lauren Conway and Alex Tairais



Hair Changed Since Elementary

Jessica Banke



Most Likely to Live in G'Town Forever

Katie Covert



Biggest Parlier

Kayle Majors and Anthony Lopez



Most Athletic

Hunter Rogowski and Sarah Plumer



Best Couple

Tait Blythe and Alex Tairais



Most Artistic

Belinda Sencelas



Best Smile

Kaleigh Kaler and Steven Fry



Best Dancer

Katie Covert and Nicholas Choate



Best to Bring Home to Mom and Dad

Ryan Wilson and Ashley Hooper



Best Dressed

Lauren Reitz and Bradley Begle



Most Likely to be Stressed Out

Emily Blum and Alex Tairais



Griffith Public Library in 1973

Destruction mars school grounds, parks and the Griffith community. Vandals run rampant.

As a yearly tradition, there was an end of the year bonfire. Seniors collected old furniture and papers to feed the hungry flames.

The most popular place for Griffith students to hang out and relax was the patio in the courtyard.

Not Pictured

Most Musical/Funniest - Colin Stage

Hasn't Changed Since Elementary - Rachael Dapsis and Dave Milane

Most Artistic - Joey Sattus

Class Flirt/Prettiest Eyes - Chris Baccino

Most Likely to Fall Asleep at Graduation - Jenn Mackey

Most Likely to Live in G-Town Forever - Tommy Doppler

Most Unpredictable Mood - Abby Hincly and Aaron Rick



Most Likely to Brighten Your Day

Ashley Hooper and Nicholas Chase



Most Quirky

Ryan Wilson and Julie Sims

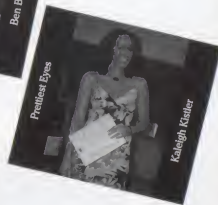


Funniest

Sarah Shamblin and Sarah Placer



Ben Bentley



Prettiest Eyes

Kaleigh Kuster



Most Likely to Succeed

Taylor Morton and Bradley Belgie



Most Musical

Christina Marchica



Class Flirt

Julie Sims

Senior Activity Key

Art - Art Club
BC - Booster Club
Bowl - Bowling Club
CC - Class Council
Con Band - Concert Band
Con Choir - Concert Choir
Drama - Drama Club
FC - French Club
FOCLA - Family Career Community Leaders of America

IC - International Club
IH - Ice Hockey
Jz Band - Jazz Band
Main - Maintenance Crew
Mar Band - Marching Band
NHS - National Honor Society
Pettes - Pantherettes
PP - Panther Press (Newspaper)
QS - Quill and Scroll
SADD - Students Against Drunk Driving

SB - Spell Bowl
SC - Student Council
Sew - Sewing Club
Span - Spanish Club
Supr - Academic Super Bowl
VC - Varsity Club
WWAAS - Who's Who Among American Students
Yrbk - Reflector (Yearbook)

Base - Baseball
Bskt - Basketball
Cheer - Cheerleading
Dive - Diving
Ft - Football
Str - Softball
Socce - Soccer
Swim - Swimming
Ten - Tennis
Wr - Wrestling
Vb - Volleyball
XC - Cross Country

All Conf - All Conference
BMA - Best Mental Attitude
HM - Honorable Mention
Home Ct - Homecoming Court
Home King - Homecoming King
Home Queen - Homecoming Queen
MI - Most Improved
MVP - Most Valuable Player
PC - Prom Court
St Qual - State Qualifier
TAC - Team All Conference
Turn Ct - Turnabout Court

Capt - Captain
DM - Drum Major
DRM - D.A.R.E. Role Model
Ed - Editor
Exp - Exploratory Teacher
Hist - Historian
Mgr - Manager
PT - Peer Tutor
Pres - President
Sec - Secretary
Treas - Treasurer
VP - Vice President

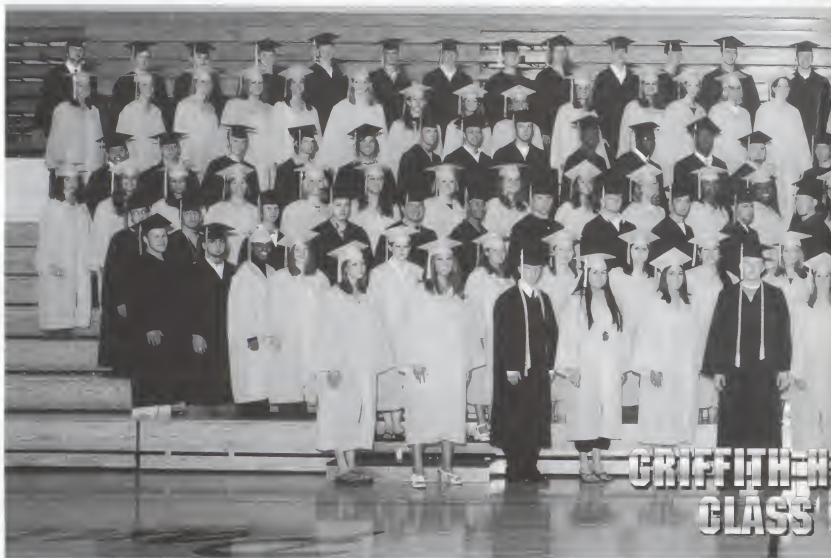
The GHS band purchases new uniforms as the band reaches 108 members.

President Nixon was elected into office.

On November 17th, president Nixon planned a meeting to tell America that "he's no crook".

1973

Katie Abascal - Choir 9 10 11 12,
SC 11, IC 11 12, Booster 11, Art 12,
Drama 11 12, Wr Mgr 11, SB 11
John Abbate
Ashley Adams
Sofia Aguilar - Vb 9 10 11 12, CC 10
11 12, Span 10, IC 11, VC 10 11 12,
SADD 11



Eric Arcella - Ft 9 10 12, Track 10
11 12, Choir 9 10, VC 10 11 12
Robert Augustyn
Kelly Baldazo
Jessica Banke - Sfr 9 10 11 12
(Capt 12), Vb 10 11 12 (All Conf
12), VC 9 10 11 12, CC, 9 10 11 12,
PC 11, SC 9 10



Sophomores won the Pop Flag during
Homecoming with their enthusiasm,
participation, and unity.

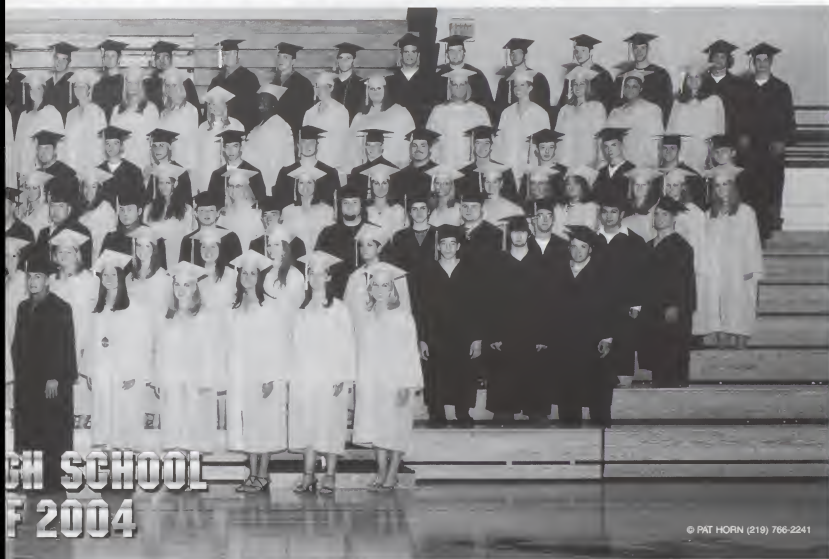


Residents of Griffith used to
get their tanks filled by
employees at Texaco.

President Nixon was impeached
and later resigned because of
the Watergate Scandal.



Heather Banks - Choir 9 10 11 12, Band 9 10 11, SB 9 10 11, VC 9 10 11 12, Ten 9 10 11 12, Booster 9 10 11, SC 9, FCCLA 12
Benjamin Bartley - Base 9 10 11 12, Bowl 10 12, PT 12
Bradly Beigle - XC 9 10 11 12, PP 10 11 12 (Ed 12), NHS 10 11 12
Crystal Bermudez - Ten 10 11 12, Vb 9 10 11, NHS 10 11 12, CC 9 10 11 12



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Amanda Bernicky
Brenda Bernotus - Socc 9 10 11 12, VC 11 12, Choir 9 10, FCCLA 12, Booster 12
Drake Bistrow - Swim 9 10 11 12 (MVP 10 12, BMA 9), CC 10 11 (M1 10), Yrbk 10 11 12 (Photo Ed 12), SB 11
Ashley Blanchard



Sophomore Laura Bolla discovered staying out longer than 35 minutes for open lunch meant getting locked out.

Mansards Apartment Complex was given the same "Luxury Living at a Low Cost" to attract potential buyers.



1974



Shawn Ramsey

Michelle Warstler
Chris Brown

Eric Todd



Jesse Homoky

Justin Fogerty
Ryan Walsh

Our Last Goodbye

Lauren Beeze

The seniors are the oldest and the wisest of the high school. It is their year to escape from the daily seven period schedule, and move on to bigger and better things.

Seniors get to do things most underclassmen can't. They get to be a little tardy for class, act up a little more, and they even get to cut in line. "It kind of made me mad how the seniors got to cut everyone in line at Turnabout," sophomore Ashley McDonald said, "but I kind of understood because they are seniors and I am going to do the same thing when I am a senior."

Seniors also get to partake in many activities that underclassmen cannot. Some of these include "Senior Ditch Day," "Senior Cookout," and the "Top Ten Dinner". These are days that many seniors look forward to their entire high school career. "I looked forward to my senior year for a long time," senior Tommy Doppler said, "I saw how much fun the days were for the other seniors so I couldn't wait until I was one."

Every Homecoming seniors look forward to the senior prank. This year some of the senior girls dumped cow manure in principal Linda Einsele's parking spot. "I loved Homecoming because me and

my friends put the cow manure on Mrs. Einsele's spot," senior Natalie Mazur said. "But, getting in trouble because of it wasn't that cool." The seniors who participated didn't go unpunished, the senior girls had to clean up after a football game at eight o'clock on a Saturday morning.

Homecoming pranks aren't the only thing that seniors wait for, but they enjoy knowing that this is their last year at Griffith High School, so some tend to slack off because they have been going to school for 12 years with the same people. So that is what makes Graduation so special.

Graduation is a big day in a senior student's life. This was the first year since the construction of the school ended that graduation was held back on the football field at Griffith High School where most students thought it was supposed to be.

Cheering on their fellow classmates, the senior class chants and cheers in order to give support and to try to beat the underclassmen on Activities Day. The seniors came out on top and beat the other classes this year.

Griffith High School students get to have off-campus lunches.

Students got to take a 5 minute break, to go outside and smoke cigarettes.

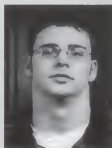
The Turnabout theme was "Winner World of Love".

Is your senior year as fun as you expected it to be?

"Yes, because I had a lot of easy classes and my friends were here to make my last year a good year to remember"-
Jessica Banke



"No, because you have to work harder then you have any of the other years, because if you dont you wont get to graduate."-Timothy Terzarial





Tommy Cunningham



Jennifer Covington



Katie Abascal, Emily Etheridge



Ryan Wilson



Jarred Zukanovich



Danny Blount-Socc 9 10 11 12
(All Conf 11 12, Capt 12), Base 9
11 12, CC 11 12, VC 9 10 11 12
Tarin Blythe-Sit 9 10 11 12
(Capt 12), Vb 9 10 11 12, CC 9 10
11 12 (Vp 10, Sec 11 12)
Christina Boncela - Yrbk 9 10
11 12 (Ed 12), Cheer 9 10 11 12 (Capt
12), CC 9 10 11 12, BC 9 10 11 12, QS
9 10 11 12, IC 9 10 11 (Pres 11)
Amanda Borders



Mark Bowron -XC 11 12, (MI
11), Track 11 12, IC 11, VC 11 12
Joshua Bridegroom
Patrick Broderick-Socc 9 10
12 (BMA 9 10), VC 12, Span 9,
Bowl 12
Christopher Brown



Charity Bryan-Band 9 10 11 12
(DM 11 12), Track 9 10 11 12
(Capt 12), NHS 10 11 12, IC 9 10
11 12 (Sec 12), VC 9 10 11 12
Michael Cahill -Aces 9 10 11
12, NHS 10 11 12, Bowl 11 12,
Band 9 10 11 12
Aaron Cavazos-Ft 9 10 11 12,
Wr 10 11 12, Track 10 11 12
Rachelle Chandler-Ten 10 11
12, Vb 9 10 11, VC 11 12, Drama 11 12



Tim Cheesebrough
Nicholas Choate -Ft 9 10 11
12, Wr 9 10 11 12, Track 11
Brittany Clark -Vb 9 10 11 12
(Co-Capt 11), CC 10 11 12, NHS
10 11 12, SADD 9 10 11, Supr 12
(Capt 12)
Lauren Convery -Cheer 9 10
11 12 (Sec 12), NHS 9 10 11 12
(Treas 12), Aces 9 10 11 12, BC 9
10 11 12

The price to join Booster
Club was a dollar.

Griffith High School's musical
was "Guys and Dolls".

This is the first year that Griffith
High School didn't have a
bonfire for Homecoming.

1975



Jack Kosinski



Hilman Lozano



Christopher Baccino



Emily Sternberg



Benjamin Bartley

Jennifer Covington - Drama 9 10 12, Con Band 9 10 11 12, Mar Band 9 10 11 12, Jz Band 9 10 11 12

Tommy Cunningham - Ft 9 10, Ten 11 12, XC 10 11 12 (MVP 11 12, All Conf 10 11), Swim 10 11 12, Dive 11 12, Track 9 10 11 12

Rachael Dapshis - Bskt 9 10, XC 10, Socc 11, Track 9 10 11 12

Matthew Denny - Socc 9 10 11 12 (All Conf 11, MVP 12, Capt 12) Ft 11 12, Base 9 10 11 12

Patricia Dergo

Sean Dobis - Swim 9 11 12, Ten 10 11 12 (Capt 12), Aces 9 10 11 12, Jets 11 12, IC 10

Tommy Doppler - Ft 9 10 11 12, VC 10 11 12, Track 10 11 12

Emily Etheridge - Pettes 10 11 12, PP 9 10 11 12 (Photo Ed 11 12), Drama 9 10 11 12 (Hist 11), SC 9 10 11 12 (Treas 11), Choir 9 10 11 12, Chorale 11 12, BC 9 10 11 12, NHS 10 11 12



Having a little fun at the Lake County Visitor Center, seniors Allie Woloszyn, Amber Kasbohm, Melissa Miecznikowski, and Carly Salczynski check out a beaded duck. The ducks were put on display by the town of Highland.

Are you scared of graduating?

Sofia Aguilar
Senior



"I'm scared, and then again I'm not. The only reason I'm scared is I think my friends will move on and I won't."

"No, I will still talk to the people who matter to me, and they have all made high school a good experience for me."



Tommy Doppler
Senior

Wrestlers try hard but don't succeed with a tumbling record of 1-11.

The swimmers suffer their worst season since 1967.



The first women entered the U.S. Air Force Academy.

Varsity track





Colin Stage
Hunter Rogowski



Katie Govert
Christina Merchaca



Tiffany Lindsay
Megan Matusik



Abby Hinchey



Ryan Wilson
Belinda Sendejas



Samantha Federenko - Band 9
10 11 12, Span 10 11
Eric Fitzgerald
Justin Fogarty - Base 9
Stephen Fry - Bskt 9 10 11 12 (JV
BMA 10, Capt 10 11 12, V BMA
12), Ft 9, XC 11, VC 11 12



Melonie Fuoss - Ten 10, CC 9
10 11, Choir 9 10 11, NHS 12,
Booster 9 10 11, SC 9 10 11
Dario Garcia
Amanda Gillispie
Kelly Gilmartin



Andrew Goldasich
Katie Govert - CC 9 10 11 12, SC
9 10 11 12, BC 11 12, P-ettes 11 12,
VC 11 12, Choir 9 10 11, Track 9
10, Span 9
Trista Guerra - Socc 9 11 12,
Span 9 10, Ft Mgr 12, VC 11 12, IC
11
Tina Guvo - Swim 9 10 11, Ten
10 11 12, Vb 9, Choir 9 10 11, IC
11 12, VC 9 10 11 12



Jennifer Hancock - Socc 9 10,
Track 10 11 12, NHS 9 10 11 12,
VC 10 11 12, SADD 10 11, IC 9 10
11
Keenan Hecht - NHS 10 11 12,
SC 11, CC 11 12, Booster 11, Con
Band 9 10, Chorale 11 12, Drama
11 12, IC 11 12, Choir 11 12
Stephen Helfen
Will Hernandez

Members of the 4-H club
rode on a float honoring the
bicentennial celebration.



Jimmy Carter won the Democratic
presidential nomination by an
overwhelming margin.

Griffith High School had
a gymnastics team.

1976



Emily Sternberg



Rachael Dapskis



Suzy Wilczynski
Ashley Rawdon



Ryan Wilson



Michael Sipos

Abigail Hinchy - Socc 10 11
12 (Capt 12), CC 10 11 12, Sew 9
10 11 12, VC 10 11 12, BC 10 11 12
Shannon Henderson
Kristi Hoese - VB 9 10 11 12
(Capt 10 11), Track 9, SADD
12 (pres 12), SC 9 10, Var Club
9 10 11 12, CC 9 11
Christina Hoffman



Jesse Homoky
Ashley Hooper
Justin Jaracz

Amber Kasbohm-Cheer 9 10
11 12 (Capt 9 12), SC 9 10 11
12, CC 9 10 11 12 (VP 12), NHS
9 10 11 12, All State Choir 10,
Choir 9 10 11 12, Home Ct 12,
BC 9 10 11 12, Turn Ct 10, VC
10 11 12



Allison Kayden - CC 9 10 11,
SC 9, BC 11 12
Eric Keller-DECA 12
Nicole Kettwig-Choir 9 10,
Bskt Mgr 10 11 12
Kaleigh Kistler-Pettes 11 12,
CC 9 10 11 12, VC 11 12, BC 9
10 11 12, Turn Ct 10, Prom Ct
11, Home Queen 12



Nicholas Kitner- Swim 9 10
11 12, Track 11 12, VC 9 10 11 12
Thomas Knoerzer-Choir 9
10 11 12, All State Choir 11 12,
Ft 9 10 11 12, Bowl 10 12, IC 12
Jacquelyn Kobeszka
Jack Kosinski - Ft 9 10 11 12
(All Conf 11 12, AP All State 11 12,
All State Punter 12), Booster 11 12,
Track 11, WJOB AM Radio MVP,
Comcast Sports TV Report MVP



Keencast Foundry
closed after fifty years.

The Stratford House
restaurant opened.

The Griffith Drive-In
Theatre closed.



Robert Augustyn



Michael Rutledge



Ashley Hooper



Joshua McFadden



Belinda Sendias

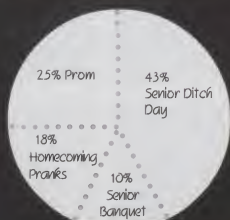


Anna Kowalski - Drama 9 10 11, Choir 9 10, Bskt Mgr 10 12, Sew 9 10 11, FCCLA 12, SADD 9 10
Robert Lafayette - Ft 9 10 11, Track 9 10 11 12, Choir 9 10 11, Chorale 11 CC 12
Justin Lagestee
Jeremy LeCounte - Bowl 9
Tiffany Lindsay - Booster 9 10 11 12, Ten 9 10 11 12, Vb 9, CC 9 10 11 12, SC 9 10 11



Jimmy Long - Swim 9 10 11 12, Golf 9 10, Aces 9 10 11 12, Choir 9 10 11, Drama 10 11
Hilman Lozano - Wr 9 10, Base 9 10, Prom Court 11, IC 11
Justin Lynn - Wr 9 10 11 12 (Capt 12), Socc 10 11 12, Golf 10 11 12, Base 9, Ft 9, VC 9 10 11 12

My favorite part of senior year was.....



Lyndsey Clarkson

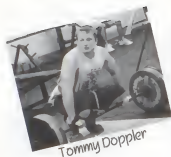
Working diligently, seniors Sophia Agular, Charity Bryan, and Melonie Fuoss try and figure out how to do their physics lab. "I like working on labs because I get more hands on action and I learn better that way," Bryan said.

N.A.S.S.A. launched space vehicle S-200.

Ronnie Van Zant died this year in a plane crash after the plane ran out of fuel.

A heavy blizzard in England claimed 100 lives.

1977



Tommy Doppler



Cary Salczynski



Robert Augustyn
Samantha Federenko



Keenan Hecht



Allie Woloszyn
Amber Kasbohm

Getting everyone's spirits up for Homecoming, seniors Erica Naaman and Trisha Guerra attempt to kick the soccer ball while being tied together, playing siamese twin soccer. The girls had to be hooked together while running and playing the game.



Do you have any superstitions?

Jen Covington
senior



"I always make
a wish at 11:11."

"I won't ever walk
under a ladder, and
I'm scared to break
a mirror."



Queen Adams
senior

Jennifer Mackey
Kayte Majstoric - Booster 10
11 12, CC 10 11 12, SC 11 12
Hayley Mantis
Robert Matamoros



Shawn Mathis - Bskt 9 11 12,
Track 11 12
Megan Matusik - CC 10 11 12, SC
9 10, WWAAS 11 12, Vb 9, Yrbk 9 10
Natalie Mazur - NHS 10 11 12,
ACES 9 10 11 12, Socc 9 10 11, P-
ettes 10 11 12 (VP 12), Yrbk 11 12
(Copy Ed), VC 9 10 11 12
Cory McCarter - NHS 10 11
12, SC 10 11 12, Choir 9
10, Chorale 11, DRM 12



Resorts International, the first
legal casino in the eastern
United States, opens.

Dallas defeated Denver
to win the Super Bowl.

Arist, writer, and illustrator Norman
Rockwell died at the age of 84.

In January, 90 people
were killed in a blizzard.



Calvin Schaller



Nicholas Kitner



Senior Class



Aliska Staes



Courtney Morgan,
Jerred Zukanovich



Joshua McFadden
William Ross McMullin-Bskt
9 10, Ft 9 12, CC 10 11 12 (Treas
11 Pres 12), SC 10 11 12, FCCLA
12 (VP), Bowl 12, NHS 10 11 12
Christina Menchaca
Melissa Miecznikowski-
SADD 9, Span 9 10, SC 9 10, Sew 9
10 11, CC 9 10 11 12, BC 10 11 12,
Pettes 11 12, VC 11 12, NHS 12,
FCCLA 12



David Milanec
Douglas Mills- Ft 10 11, Wr 9 10
Taylor Morton- Cheer 9 10 11, P-
ettes 12, Drama 11 12 (Sec 11, Pres 12),
BCS 10 11 12, VP 11, Pres 12, NHS 10 11 12,
CC 9 10 11 12, Choir Sec 9 10 11 12
Erica Naaman-Vb 9 10 11 12
(Capt 12, MVP 12, All Conf 12),
Track 9 10 11 12 (Capt 12, St Qual
11, MVP 11, All Conf 11), Band 9,
Art 11 12, BC 11 12, NHS 12



Zach Najar
Maigen Pawlowski
Jennifer Perez-Socc 9 10 11
12, Ten 9 11 12, SADD 9 10
Mark Petersen



Laura Pinkerton-Vb 9 10 11 12
(Capt 10 11 12, MVP 10 11, All Conf 11
12), Stt 9 10 12 (Capt 12), VC 9 10
11 12, Choir 9 10 11, DECA 12
Sarah Planer- Bskt 9 10 11 12 (All
Conf 10 11 12), CC 9 10 11 12, BC 9 10 11
12, VC 9 10 11 12, Choir 9 10 11 12 (Pres
9 10 11), Socc 9 Vb 10, NHS 10 11 12
Brian Prewitt
Shawn Ramsey- Ft 9 10 11 12 (All
Conf 12), VC 9 10 11 12, Track 11

PSA Flight 182, a Boeing 727, collides
with a small private airplane and
crashes in San Diego, California
resulting in the death of 144.

The Pope Paul the Fifth died at
the age of 80 on August 6.



Heavy rains and faulty sewer
system flooded streets and
houses all over Griffin.

1978



Matt Vackavik



Meagan Wright



Colin Stage



Ben Bartly



Belinda Sendejas

Ashley Rawdon - IC 11, BC 11,
Sfr 9 10 11 12, VC 10 11 12

Lauren Reitz - Sew 9 10 11 12,
SC 9, CC 9 10 11 12, Choir 9 10 11 12

Luis Reyna - CC 12 (Treas 12),
Wr 10 11 12, Base 10 11, XC 11, BC
12, Span 10

Danny Rhoten



Monica Rivera - Choir 9 10 11
12, Bsk Mgr 11 12, IC

Hunter Rogowski - Ft 10 11 12,
IH 9 10 11 12, Base 10 11 12

Michael Rutledge

Martyna Rybacki - Ten 9 10 11
12 (Ml, BMA), Soc 11 12, IC 11,
VC 9 10 11 12, FCCLA 12



Carly Salczynski - Bskt 9 10
11 12, DRM 12, CC 9 10 11 12, SC 9
10 11 12 (Treas. 10, Hist. 12), BC 9
11 12, VC 10 11 12, Vb 9 10, Choir
9 10 11

Calvin Schaller - Band 9 10,
Art 9 10 11, Bowl 11

Nicole Scharnke - Sfr 9 10 11
(JV BMA 9), Vb 9 10 11 12, SADD
10 11, Sew 10, VC 9 10 11 12

Mark Scheffel



John Schultz - Ft 9 11 12, Bskt 9
10 11 12, Base 9 10 11 12, Soc 10,
IC 11 12, BC 12, PT 12, DRM 12

Belinda Sendejas - Soc 9 10
11 12 (Capt 11 12), XC 9 10 11 12
(Capt 12), Track 9 10 11 12 (Cap
12), VC 9 10 11 12

Julie Sims - Cheer 9 10 11 12, CC
9 10, BC 9 10 11, 12

Michael Sipos



Griffith Savings Bank is built
in a vacant lot on Broad.



There were four cross
country runners named
to all-conference.

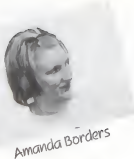
A new gymnasium is built in the place of the
old football field. Construction was pushed
back due to incorrect order of steel.



Trisha Gordon



Jose Escobedo



Amanda Borders



Noah Zemke



Calvin Schaller



Angela Smigla-Choir 9 10 11 12, Ten 9 10 11 12 (MI 9), FCCLA 12, IC 9 10 11, SADD 9 10 11
 Eric Stadnik - Bskt 9 10 11 12, Choir 9 10 11, Track 10 11 12, DRM 12
 Alisha Staes - Vb 9 10 11 12, Choir 9 10 11 12, Art 11, Booster 11, Drama 9 10, IC 11, Colin Stage- Ft 9 12, Bskt 9 10 11 12, Track 11



Sarah Steinhubel
 Emily Sernberg - Choir 9 10 11 12, Drama 9 10, Span 10, Sew 10
 Becky Stevens
 Charles Stipes - Choir 9 10 11 12



Richie Studniarz-Bskt 9 10 11 12, Booster Club 12
 Brad Szczesniak
 Sarah Teague
 Eric Todd



"I'm going to miss being close to all the teachers and staff and knowing everybody here at school."
 -Nick Choate 12

"I'll miss seeing my friends everyday, football games, going to dances, and doing all the usual high school stuff."
 -Kaleigh Kistler 12

Alexander Tsirtsis
 Matthew Vaclavik-Swim 9 10 11 12 (MI 11), Band 9 10 11 12

The region's second worst blizzard hit in 79' with a total accumulation of 29 inches.

Track runners break three records and placed fourth in conference.

1979



Hilman Lozano
Nicholas Kitter



Matthew Vaclavik



Aaron Cavazos



Melonie Floss
Sofia Aguilar



Jessica Banke

Matthew Valois-Track 9 10 11 12,
Fr 9 10 12, Booster 11
Cristina Valtierra-Vb 9 10 11 12
(All Conf 12, BMA 11), Wr Mgr 10
11 12, IC 9 10 11, VC 12
Benjamin Vania
Jamie Vaughan-Bowl 12, Fr 9



Luis Villarreal - XC 11 12 (BMA
12), Swim 11 12 (MI 11)
Lawrence Walsh- Choir 9,
Span 9, Socc 9 10 11 12 (Capt 12,
All Conf 11), Bowl 12
Michelle Warstler-Sft 9 10 11
12, Choir 9 10 11, Booster 9 10 11
12, VC 10 11 12
Carly Westfall



Tidbits no one needs to know...

In chess, there are 169,518,829,100,544,000,000,000,000 ways to make the first ten moves.

You share your birthday with at least nine million other people in the world.

Termites eat through wood two times faster when listening to rock music.

It would take seven billion particles of fog to fill a teaspoon.

There are one million ants for every person in the world.

Information Provided by <http://www.3000.com/whodunnit>

Making physics interesting, seniors Justin Fogarty and Larry Walsh have a little fun while they work on their calorimetry lab. "The best part about labs is not doing busy work and not having to sit down and take notes," Fogarty said.



Griffith's water
tower and railroad
crossing in 1980.

On April 5th, R.E.M. played their
first ever gig at St. Mary's episcopal
church, in Georgia.



Going through the Calumet Region,
many students and citizens may see
the local farm ground.

The Post-It Note was
invented on April 6th.



Thomas Kneibler



Joshua McFadden



Drake Bistrow



Erica Naaman



Michael Carill

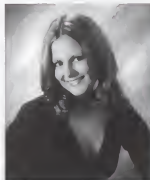
Not Pictured:

Gary Alvarez
Amanda Anderson
Magen Anderson
Lesley Artison
Zachary Artz
Christopher Baccino
Justin Bennett
James Campell
Maria Carrillo
Jesse Carter
Elisa Chavez
Alicia Davis
Rico Davis
Timothy Delauro

Jason Dorin
Nichole Drechney
James Dye
Jose Escobedo
Andrew Espinoza
Krystin Fundich
Trisha Gordon
Aaron Greer
Mark Hamilton
Andrae Hernandez
Douglas Hess
Jason Hoefflerle
Donald Ispas
Christopher Jamison

Ryan Jansen
James Kearney
Nicole Laviolette
Joshua Ledford
Anthony Lopez
Michelle McNeerlin
Stephanie Mesa
Johnny Miller
Courtney Morgan
Torian Morgan
Jestun Oden
Amy Oltmanns
Krystyn Pape
Aaron Ricks

Joey Satkus
Jack Scheeringa
Damonique Sims
Rachael Surowiec
Amber Tolson
Tabatha Williams
Tyrone Williams
Ryan Wilson
Meghan Wright
Sidney Wynn



Lauren Wilbert - Vb 9 10 11,
VC 10 11
Suzy Wilczynski - Choir 9 10
11, IC 11, St 9 10
Catherine Woerner
Stacey Wolan



Allie Woloszyn - Choir 9 10
11 12, Choral 11 12, CC 9 10
11 12 (Vp 10 11), Cheer 9, P-
ettes 10 11 12, SC 10 11 12, VC
10 11 12, Booster 9 10 11 12
Noah Zemke - Socc 10 12, XC
9 11, Bskt 9 10, Drama 9
Valerie Zivich - Track 12,
Socc 11, Booster 11, IC 11,
Choir 10 11
Jarred Zukanovich

Still standing, the infamous
building on the corner of
Main Street and Griffith Blvd.



Paul McCarthy released
"Coming Up".

Kenny Rogers Greatest Hits started
a two week run at No. 1 on the US
album chart on December 13th.

1980



Mindy Grahovac



Heather Plekarczyk



Samantha Barlog



Julie Csevernaik, Lisa Guzman, Jeff Martin



Krzysztof Zembrowski

Question:

What was the most memorable experience of your junior year?

—"When I made captain of the varsity cheerleading squad, because I had worked so hard for it."

—Joanna Tinich 11

—"The day that Pantherettes ended was great. I was so glad that it was finally over."

—Mimi Wilczynski 11

Going Places

Elise Dixon

One more year. It's almost the end of your high school career. But, do you know where you want to go to college yet? Many students are not thinking of what they want to do after graduation. There are only a select few that are actually thinking about what they need to be doing, or working on to be ready to graduate. Others are very excited to leave and go on to college to start the rest of their lives. "Honestly, I am very excited about my senior year. But, this year was a lot of fun, too. It is also kind of scary knowing we are all going to graduate, and not see everyone anymore. Still, there is one more year, and it will be unforgettable," said junior Tiffany Gibbs.

Many others are ready to graduate, and are visiting campuses to see if they would like to go there or not. Junior Samantha Barlog visited Robert Morris College. "I wanted to visit to make sure that it was somewhere that I possibly wanted to go."

Juniors receive one college day to visit the school of their choice to determine if they like the campus.

Many are ready to graduate and are looking forward to either living on their own or just being out of high school fairly soon. "I'm looking forward to my senior year, I am definitely ready to graduate. I know I'll be sad, but I don't want to stay here forever," junior Lisa Guzman said.

Finally, there are those who are not ready to be seniors. They do not want the responsibility of looking for colleges, getting jobs, or just plain, being a senior. High school is filled with memories of sports, classes, parties, friends and dances. Many do not want high school to come to an end, or for that matter, being close to the end. High school is the best time of student's lives, no real responsibilities, nor the real world to wake up to every morning. In only about a year, the class of 2005 will be the ones looking the real world in the face. Make it last.

Resting her eyes, junior Amber Houchin takes a few minutes to catch a few ZZZ's in her United States history class. Sleeping in classes seemed to be a normal occurrence.



Booster club members had to do work building spirit, for which they received points for either decorating or drawing posters.

During Homecoming week, the days were as follows: T-shirt, Inside Out and Backward, Dress Up, Costume, and Black and Gold.

Griffith's production of Scrooge, with approximately 60 students helped to make it a success, and make a profit of \$1,000.



Brad Alldewell, Mike Albright



Nicholas Raduski



Jennifer Schoon



Mark Hill, Nick Lam-Chi



Tim Vessel



Doug Abbott
Santana Adame
Jeffery Aguilera
Michael Albright
Christina Alvarez
Fatimah Amara
Katlyn Anderson



Yeishia Anderson
Jon Ashenbaugh
Amber Azpeitia
Tanya Baker
Jovanka Balac
Samantha Barlog
Eric Barnard



Scott Barta
Jessica Beemsterboer
Matthew Beshears
Corey Blanchard
Sara Brines
Ashley Burch
Alicia Byrns



Mike Cheesebrough
Tiffany Cochran
Dwayne Cohen-Smith
Dana Collins
Bradley Connell
Veronica Cook
Nikki Cornett



Lindsay Crook
Julie Cservenak
Michael Cuneo
Jacqueline Darnell
Steven De Jesus
Richard Delgado
Steven De Young



Lisa Dimos
Jonathan Dirst
Elise Dixon
Erin Doherty
Caitlin Dudley
Allison Durham
Angel Escobedo

Diplomas were given to 300 seniors that graduated in 1981.

America welcomed home 52 soldiers held hostage in Iran on January 20.

1981



Samantha Barlog
Kristen Schultz



Kaitlyn O'Brien
Kristen Koropasek



John Rogers



Adrienne Powers



Justin Culp

Joseph Ferguson
Steven Fleming
Michelle Frascetti
Don Gadberry
Whitney Gasaway
Heidi Gerdes
Tiffany Gibbs



Jason Gilge
Dennis Glade
Jason Glowinski
Bradley Gliedwell
Shellane Gomez
Darcy Gower
Mindy Grahovac



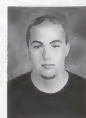
Stephanie Griffin
Brian Gulley
Claudio Gurrola
Lisa Guzman
Mark Harnew
Elissa Heidler
Marcus Hernandez



Brandy Hero
Matthew Hicks
Brett Hill
Mark Hill
Zachary Hinchy
Wendi Holmes
Amber Houchin



Douglas Hrdina
Branden Jackson
Hugo Jaimez
Corey James
Kelley Jarmakowicz
Derek Johnson
Garrett Johnson



Although it is Friday the thirteenth, junior Kristen Schultz checks her grade in Schilling's class hoping for something pleasant. "I have been trying really hard to raise my grade in that class," Schultz said. Despite the date, Schultz had one of the highest grades in the class.

McDonald's Corporation
introduced Chicken McNuggets.



"Himself Raiders." won the float
competition for the junior class.

Three CBS employees were shot to
death in a NYC parking lot on April 12.



Heidi Gerdies



Kyle Young,
Nicholas Lam-Chi



Claudio Gurrola, Jim
Swienconek, Elise Dixon



Garrett Johnson



Todd Polgar



Kojelyte Johnson
Charlotte Joseph
Amanda Jursic
Kelley Jusko
Donna Klein
Kristen Konopasek
Michael Kronland



Danny La Barge
Andy LaBuda
Nicholas Lam-Chi
Jamie Lastagarkov
Alyson Laurencell
Richard Lehmann
Brandi Lewis



The French braid was
the latest hair style.



In choir class, students can get a lot accomplished,
like homework that should have been done the
night before. Junior Steven Fleming tries to help
junior Ryan Swanson write his vocabulary narrative
for English class.



During their free time in class, juniors Samantha
Barlog and Brittany Miller discuss a note that
doesn't make Miller to happy. The note was read
right before Chemistry was about to end. Barlog
tried to make Miller feel better about it.

Many students spent their spare
time playing at the video arcade.

1982

Chicago Cubs won their 8,000th
game on May 13 (beat Astros).



Melissa Ocegueda
Kyle Raduski



Corey Blanchard



Audrey Tolson

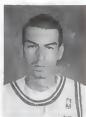


Don Gadberry



Charlotte Joseph

Daniel Lewis
Joy Lindsay
Amanda MacFarlane
Patrick Maggi
Jeffrey Martin
Patrice Martinson
Sergio Matamoros



David Melton
Matthew Melton
Jerry Menchaca
Brittany Miller
Amber Mitchell
Marc Momelovich
Ashlee Moses



Brett Newman
Kaitlyn O'Brien
Melissa Ocegueda
Heather Piekarczyk
Todd Polgar
Adrienne Powers
Nicholas Raduski



Matthew Rocchietti
Nicole Rodgers
John Rogers
Jonathan Ross
Denise Roznowski
Robert Ryan
Tuesdays Sakovich



Jhonte Sanders
Amanda Schmitt
Jennifer Schoon
Michael Schoon
Felisha Schultz
Kristen Schultz
Rosalinda Sendejas

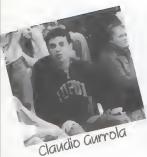


Staying after school, Juniors Julie Cservenak and Kali Werkowski help make the Homecoming float for the parade. Cservenak sang to one of the songs on the radio that the girls listened to as they worked.

Griffith Historical Society was incorporated.

The First Annual Griffith Historical Society meeting was held at VFW Hall.

The first Cabbage Patch doll arrived in Britain.



Claudio Gurrola



Darcy Govert



Brad Glidewell, Keenan Hecht



Brad Connell,
Matthew Melton



Jeffery Martin



Star Sepulveda
Raymond Sexton
Paul Simpson
Melissa Smith
Shannon Smith
Jacob Spriggs
Sharon Stolte



Alex Subotic
Megan Sudac
Chad Summers
Ryan Swanson
Jim Swiencone
Crissy Szymczak
Sarah Tharp



Drew Thomas
Lesley Thomas



Lyndley Clarkson



Sitting with each other at Burger King, Juniors John Rogers and Carret Johnson spend some of their free time after school at a fast food restaurant where they can talk with each other and eat a hamburger and fries.

World Communications Year began.

Penn State beat Georgia in the Sugar Bowl for the college football title.

The USSR performed an underground nuclear test.

1983



Lisa Gutzman



Rosalinda Sendekas,
Matthew Vlachak



Elissa Heidler,
Caitlin Dudley



Ryan Tropp



Kojelyte Johnson

"It was a good time for the team to get together and concentrate the night before the game," said junior Richard Lehmann. Joined by junior Drew Thomas, Lehmann and the rest of the football team gather at Bridge's Restaurant to watch the prep sports report.

How long do you take to get ready in the morning?

32% of the juniors said 15 minutes or less.

39% of the juniors said 30 minutes.

24% of the juniors said one hour.

5% of the juniors said more than one hour.

100 Juniors surveyed



Christina Boccell

Are you excited about being a senior next year?

Michael Albright
junior

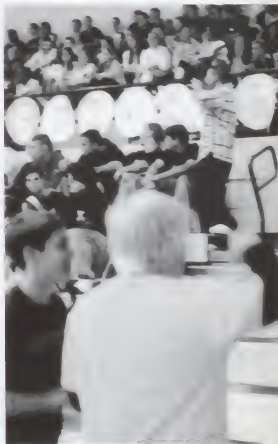


"Yes and no, because I'm excited about starting a new chapter in my life, but it makes me realize I'm getting older and I have more responsibilities."

"I couldn't be more excited because it means that I only have one year left."



Kojelyte Johnson
junior



Lyndsey Clarkson

Taking a sip of pop before the race, junior Brad Clidewell prepares to compete in the relay race for activities day. Activities day had to be held inside this year because of unfortunate weather conditions.

Singer Marvin Gay was shot and killed by his father after a heated argument. It was a day before his 45th birthday.

Scientists discovered that AIDS is caused by the HIV virus.

Hollywood created its PG-13 rating for movies that were in between PG and R.



Gerardo Menchaca



Andreyea Stack,
Timmothy Terzarial



Matthew Melton



Jessica Beemsterboer,
Samantha Barlog



Julie Cservenkai



Joanna Tinich
Audrey Tolson
Kevin Torok
Gabe Towle
Shannon Trauscht
Ryan Tropp
Andrew Troxel



Justin Tulba
Tim Vessell
Joseph Wagman
Ryan Walsh
Roy Walter
Derek Wartman
Kati Werkowski



Melissa Wilczynski
Mark Winiecki
Danielle Woitalewicz
Tyler Wood
Kyle Young
Sarah Zajac
Krzysztof Zembrowski



Lynsey Clarkson

Working on a float, junior Kristen Konopasek stuffs tiny pieces of tissue paper into the junior class council float for the homecoming day parade. Konopasek and other class council members worked all week before the parade in order to complete the float.

The FBI's "Most Wanted Man" Christopher Wilder accidentally killed himself.

Ray Kroc, the founder of McDonalds died at age 81.

Michael Larson won \$110,000 on the game show "Press Your Luck" because he memorized the generated game patterns.

1984



Kristen Konopasek



Shannon Trausch



Garrett Johnson



Adrienne Powers



Claudio Currola

Not Pictured:

Kristina Adams
Rachael Albrecht
Natasia Brown
Cordaro Bursey
Korey Carroll
Chistopher Chapa
Garry Ciesco
Justin Culp
Dana Davis
Jamie Djordjevich
Angela Fullilove
Heather Gerenda
Charity Goodson
Jesse Grace

Krystal Hess
Kevin Horn
Wala Issa
Tracy Jimenez
Andrea Kellum
Hanna Kush
Antonio Logan
Nikki Mock
Christopher Muskin
Jimmy Paluch
Amy Parker
Andrew Peacock
Mari Perryman
Bobby Rockwell

Antoine Rodgers
Eric Romesburg
Greg Rucinski
Brandi Satterlee
Jacob Schleitwiler
Cornelius Shaheer
Megan Simon
Melissa Smith
Nicholas Spencer
Andreyea Stack
Arlene Tolson
Edward Torres
Jaime Verville
Tammy Williams



Visiting a trash can, junior Angela Fullilove makes a statement during the end of her junior year. Most students don't take pictures in garbage cans, but Fullilove thought that this would make an interesting scene.

Cleaning out and redecorating a showcase, juniors Andreyea Stack and Mindy Granovac make sure everything is neat and tidy. New showcases were added all throughout the school during construction.



Spirit Week consisted of backwards and inside out, hat and sunglasses, dress-up, costume, and black and gold days.

GHS got its first major remodeling job in 20 years.

Jeff Bridges and Jill Hilbrich reigned as Homecoming king and queen.



John Rogers



Mark Hill



Danny Lewis



Krystal Hess



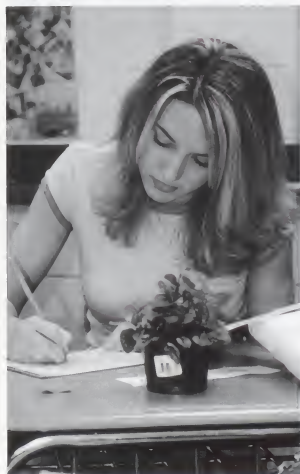
Joe Wagman, Jim Swienconeck



Emily Adams
Raul Aldape
James Anderson
Eric Andree
Andrew Bailey
Amy Baran
Crystal Bechtold



Lauren Becze
Brian Bell
Natalie Bermudez
Jeffery Bertucci
Trent Bierman
Keith Boilek
Maja Bosnjak



Junior Elissa Heidler receives and names her plant in Margie Keithley's, family and consumer science, adult prep class. The class wrote down the name of their plants and all of the students in the adult prep class received plants to take care of.

Only 10 weight classes were filled this year for wrestling, instead of the normal 13.

What is your dream college?

Claudio Gurrola
Junior

"I would like to go to UCLA because they have a good soccer program and sun all year round."

"I would go to St. Joseph's in Rensselaer because I like the music courses it offers and the atmosphere"

Lisa Gutzman
Junior

The 1984-85 Boy's Swim team had a new addition, girls.

Four new teachers were welcomed this year, Ron Small, Shiela Vaclavik, Teresa Carstensen, and Julie Marcinek.

1985



Nicole Kibacki



Brandon Pollard



Melissa Kuzmanoff



Dennis Vessell



DJ Salmon

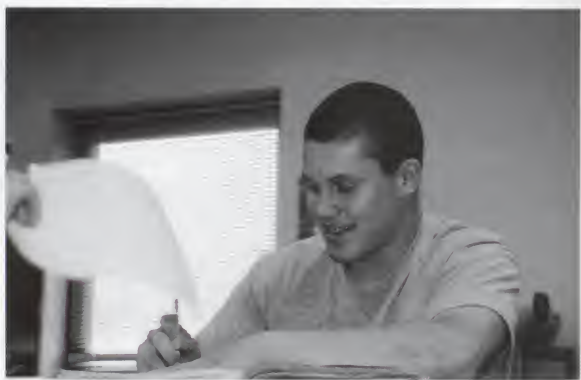
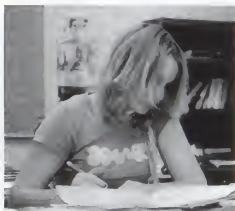
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Robert Bridegroom
Shauna Brock
Michael Brouillette
Elyahem Brown
Kyle Burkhalter
Renee Cabrales



Brandon Carpenter
Crystal Chandler
Ashley Churitch
Lauren Clark
Lyndley Clarkson
Matthew Coddington
Ashley Cogdill



Steven Cope
Heather Crundwell
Lauren Csonka
Josh Cunningham
Emily Cutka
Joseph Daphis
Zack Dietrich



Working on a paper for her biology class, sophomore Kristen Horn tries quickly to finish her work. "I always do my biology work in class, because if I need help with something I know my teacher will always be there to give it to me," Horn said.

Trying to finish his assignment so that he doesn't have homework, sophomore Brandon Carpenter finishes his Geometry worksheet. "I hate having homework everyday, so I try to finish everything up by the end of the class," Carpenter said.

Griffith High School's play was called "Sugar".

For Homecoming the cheerleaders dressed like football players and the coaches to show their school spirit.

School pranks like "blocking cars" becomes a popular thing to do.



Crystal Chandler



Mallory Gartin
Caitlin Terpstra



Jaimie Scholte, Laura
Matovina, Jessica Koch



Jordan Lagastee



Jarrod Macarak

What are you?

65% of sophomores consider themselves procrastinators.

53%

of sophomores are Sox fans.

40%

of sophomores have never been called down to the office.

70%

of sophomores would want to have a girlfriend or boyfriend with them if they were stranded on a deserted island.

25%

of sophomores prefer to use glue rather than tape.

165 sophomores surveyed

Only 2 more years

Lauren Beeze

With two years down and only two more to go, the sophomore class is stuck in the middle. Not the little babies of the school anymore, but still not (upper class men.) They definitely don't go unnoticed.

The sophomore class designs the Turnabout dance every year, most of the students get their licenses, and only have two more years of school left.

When you have to put a lot of thought into it. Students have to pick where it's going to be held, the DJ, the colors, the song, and the court for prince and princess. "Designing Turnabout was a lot of fun, but also hard work," said Joy Helfen.

The dance was held January 31st at the Avalon Manor in Merrillville. The colors were silver, black and maroon.

"Turnabout was really fun. My favorite part was the couples song for the night," said sophomore Connie Herrera.

This years prince and princess were sophomores Drew Rogowski and Sidney Govett.

next year they will go back to hand down the crowns.

Most students usually end up getting their licenses around the time they are in their sophomore year. Getting your license is a big deal. You don't have to depend on other people to drive you around anymore. You're out on your own with no one to stop you. "Getting my license was a big deal to me, but at the same time not really. I always had a way to get around before," said sophomore Jaimie Scholte.

"Getting my license was a big deal to me, but at the same time not really. I always had a way to get around before."

-Jaimie Scholte 10

And last but not least the sophomore class only has two more years of high school left. Having only two more years of school left, means this is the time you need to start planning your life, getting ready to go away to college, trade schools, or just working. "Having only two more years of school left is awesome. I can't wait to go away," said sophomore Eliana Hernandez.

So with two years down and two left, enjoy it while you can.



Photo Provided

Making get well cards to decorate the choir room, the sophomore girls choir have a group project together for their teacher Mark Jancosek, Choir. "Mr. J. is my favorite teacher," sophomore Jaimie Scholte said. "It was nice to be able to do something for him when he was sick."

Griffith High School offered a Spanish 4 class for its students.

To show his school spirit, the football coach, Les Thornton, got a mohawk hair cut.

The Griffith High School football team was 6-8.

1986



Angela Espinoza



Timothy Garibay



Chris Fuoss



Laura Matovina



Ashly Stevens Jessica Koch

Sophomores Michael White and Christopher Fuoss shove a pencil up sophomore Christopher Mansanarez's nose during health class. "We were bored during our health class and decided to pick on Chris because he was trying to boss us around," said White.



Working on her big vocab lesson the class received, sophomore Kristen Horn does her homework during a study period they had in health class. The class had 123 vocab words to define for their new lesson on nutrition.

Q: What was your most embarrassing high school moment?

"I was drinking a gatorade during lunch and Chad (Henson) made me laugh with something he said. The Gatorade came out of my mouth and went all over my light khaki shorts I was wearing that day. I looked like I peed my pants and I had to go through school like that the whole day, I was embarrassed horribly."

-Junior Bobby Rockwell

Griffith boys track finished sixth in semi-state.



Boys basketball won their first tourney game in 12 years.

Baseball had a winning season with a 9-3 finish for conference games.



Michael McCrory



Mallory Gatlin



Lauren Clark, Joy Helfen,
Emily Cutka



Kristen Mathews



Brandon Pollard



Brandon Donovan
Anthony Dwyer
Joshua Etheridge
Andrew Euber
Ryan Fentress
Lauren Figueroa
Christopher Fuoss



Timothy Garibay
Mallory Gatlin
Jacob Gee
Liz Gollner
Josh Gonzalez
Michael Gonzalez
Katya Gordeeva



Sidney Govett
Benjamin Hancock
Jennifer Handley
Sam Hart
Terry Haynes
Joy Hellen
Chad Henson



Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

Playing twister with some friends for a good time sophomore Andrew Mazur twists into a pretzel. "It's fun to play twister when you're more flexible than anyone else," said Mazur. "I generally win when I play and that freaks people out."

Tryng out for the play Pirates of Penzance sophomores Darek Kowal, Andre Rodgers, and Jeremy Love try their best to get the part as a pirate. "My favorite part of the play was the one with the cat-like tread number," said Kowal.



Girls softball finished second in the L.S. Conference for softball.

Griffith High School won an award for sportsmanship.

Girls tennis came in second for sectionals.

1987



Kelvin Bolter, Adam Vania



Latricia Webb



Andrew McMullin



Jaimie Scholte



Josh Gonzalez, Christi Stettrek

Eliana Hernandez
Rosamaria Hernandez
Connie Herrera
Kyle Hitt
Joshua Hoogeveen
Kristen Horn
Brian James



Dayna Johnson
Kara Johnson
Cassandra Johnstone
Gwen Jones
Ashton Kepple
Alicia Kielbasa
Jessica Koch



Derek Kowal
Katie Krajnak
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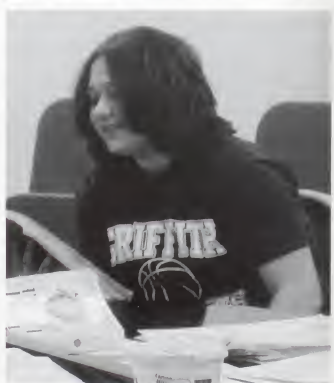


Lyndley Clarkson

Band director Craig Phipps helps sophomore Sarah Williams learn to play the drums. "I love playing the drums because I don't have to follow any music and I can do whatever I want when I am playing," Williams said.

Sophomore Laura Matovina has fun memorizing lines for the annual school play. "I enjoy acting because it is fun to pretend to be someone that you are not. Plus all the hard work you put in truly pays off in the end at the performance," said Matovina

S.A.D.D. sponsored a school lock-in to show there are other ways to have fun other than getting drunk. One of the student bands performed for entertainment.



Lyndley Clarkson

Compact Discs started to become popular among high school students.

Spell Bowl team placed third at state competition.



Christin Pease, Angela Espinosa, Melissa Rutherford



Jenny Sparks, Jessica Koch, Jaime Scholte



Alex Pierson, Ben Geffert



Justine Yeager, Jenny Welch



Ashley Stevens

Are you a couch potato?

Michael McNary
sophomore



"Yes, because I am lazy, and I don't ever feel like getting up off my bum. Sometimes I just lounge for no reason."

"I am not a couch potato because if you stay active you won't gain a lot of weight and I think it is just better to be involved in things."



Jennifer Handley
sophomore

Sophomore Krystal Ulm has some fun with her rolled up poster board while waiting for her World History class to start. "In order to make the time go by faster before class starts, I talk with my friends a lot and just joke around and have fun," Ulm said.



Lyndley Clarkson



Christopher LaMendola
Michael Lafoon
Jordan Lagaste
Russ Lamb
Jordan Landsman
Nicholas Leep III
Thomas Lenker



Adam Longoria
Jeremy Love
Christina Lozano
Jarrod Macak
Paul Majors
Kristina Majstric
Tara Malewicz



Christopher Mansanarez
Lauren Marinios
Lisa Markut
Matthew Marshall
Lauren Massa
Kristen Mathews
Laura Matovina

This was the first year Griffith High School had academic competition teams.

Softball team finished third in the Lake Suburban Conference.

The United States launched the Atlantis spy satellite.

1988



Christopher LaMendola



Darek Kowal



Laura Matovina
Jaimie Scholte



Timothy Garibay



Brandon Pollard



Lyndley Clarkon

Celebrating after he threw the ball, sophomore Michael McCrary does a little dance at Griffith Lanes. "I got three strikes in my tenth frame and I was all excited. Just a normal night in Griffith, IN," McCrary said.

Looking at books, sophomores Alan Kus and Brandon Pollard shop at the book fair. The book fair was held in the library and gave students a chance to purchase books, pens, pencils, and other accessories they might use for school.

What's the theme song for your life?

Crystal Chandler
Sophomore

"Probably 'The Middle' because it talks about how no matter what cruel things people say, to hang in there, be yourself and be happy."

"People hate Christian songs because they think it's just boring and too religious but I believe that it is not true."

Shauna Brock
Sophomore



Lyndley Clarkon



Turnabout Prince
and Princess of '87

In September, NASA closed down its tracking stations in Hawaii and Ascension.

Bartlett Giamatti replaced Ueberroth as the seventh commissioner of baseball on April Fool's Day.

Dorothea 'Stella' Gibbons, English journalist, author, died at the age of 87 on December 19th.



Nicole Kubacki



Laura Matovina



Jeanette Soy



Nicholas Leep



Emily Cutka

Kaleb Matthews
 Andrew Mazur
 Ashley McDonald
 Andrew McMullin
 Tabitha Minton
 Justin Murphy
 Dustin Murray

Andrew Nashkoff
 Matthew Nelleman
 Erika O'Connor
 Craig Otto, Jr.
 Arnie Palmer
 Christin Pease
 Joshua Pepoff

Matthew Perez
 Alex Pierson
 Brandon Pollard
 Kyle Raduski
 Grant Raybourne
 Richard Raymond
 Darrin Robbins



Lyndley Clarkson



Lyndley Clarkson

Carefully measuring out her substances, sophomore Ashley Stevens works diligently on her Biology lab. "The lab was dumb because you had to do the same thing over and over and over and over again. It was pretty much pointless," said Stevens.

Hittin' the dance floor, sophomores Andrew McMullin and Angela Espinoza dance it out with a game at McMullin's 2004 New Year's Party. "I thought the game was fun and exciting. Whenever there's music on, I have to bust a move," Espinoza said.

Douglas Wilder was elected governor of Virginia in November. He was the first black man to become a US state governor.



Chris Zembrak long jumps.

On January 2nd, Notre Dame beat West Virginia for the college football championship.

Bon Jovi scored their first UK No.1 album with their fourth release New Jersey.

1989



Christina Lozano



Drew Rogowski



Lisa Markut



Brandon Pollard



Mallory Gatlin

Sophomores Jessica Koch, Eliana Hernandez, Jenny Sparks, and Ashton Kepple work on a get-well banner for their choir teacher, Mark Jancosek, during their extra class time. The class made cards, banners, and decorated the chalk board for Jancosek while he was out sick.

Looking through a magazine during her extra time, sophomore Joy Helfen relaxes at her desk. Most students work on their homework or read books and magazines during extra class time when they aren't given homework.



Lyndley Clarkson



Not Pictured:

Scott Adams
Kyle Austin
Ronald Ballard
Terry Barbara
Elizabeth Yarchan-Blackwell
Tyrisha Briscoe
London Cathey
Alexis Catledge
Lindsay Davis
Heather DeYoung
Alyssa Dixon
Sara Donnelly
Jermy Dunning
Rachel Escobedo

Angela Espinoza
Wesley Faught
Justin Fisk
Matthew Flutka
Ryan Frahm
LeeAnna Garcia
Crystal Gonzalez
Sheldon Hayes
Adam Hegyi
Ray Holmes
Antonia Hutchinson
Daniel Kawanna
Velis Knight
Marie Koselke

Melissa Kuzmanoff
Brittany Lee
Barron Maddox
Victoria Marsh
Anton Mathis
Michael McCrary
Eric McQueary
Eric Morris
Andrew Oltmans
Sanavia Pickett
Nicole Piro
Maja Raskovic
Jeannie Rawls
Robert Scheffel

Brandon Smiedzinski
Andrew Thomas
Zaquetta Thompson
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Andrew Thomas
Zaquetta Thompson
Daniel Torres
Craig Taylor
Nicholas Vasquez
Mi'Cheal Wilderness
Joshua Wilkins
Magon Williams
Sarah Williams
Tasia Young

Dave Comer was the first discus thrower to make sectionals since 1980.

Griffith's football team won the Lake Suburban Champion title and recieved the expression "bad to the bone."

Nelson Mandela is freed in South Africa, and the African National Congress is free to organize legally.



Lauren Becze



D.J. Salmon



Kristen Mathews



Alan Kus



Jessica Shacklett



Andre Rodgers
Drew Rogowski
Melissa Rutherford
Claudia Rybacki
Arkadiusz Ryzak
Caralyn Salczynski
Daniel Salmon



Ashley Schaller
Jaimie Scholte
Cody Scott
John Seilurs
Jessica Shacklett
Michael Smith
Laura Solivais



Jeanette Soy
Jenny Sparks
Nicole Spejewski
Steven Staples
Cristi Steffek
Ashley Stevens
Zachary Stevens



Caitlin Terpstra
Kendra Terzariol
John Therault
Krystal Ulm
Andrew Vachlavik
Adam Vania
Bridgett Vehey



Dennis Vessell
Rebecca Villarreal
Jessica Wachowski
Troyce Wachtsteller
Latricia Webb
Jenny Welch
Michael White



Alex Wilcoxson
Trevor Wood
Rachel Wright
Justine Yeager

Villa Pizza was the hot spot for Griffith football players before game day, unlike today's Bridges' Score Board.

Washington D.C.'s Mayor, Marion Barry, was arrested for smoking crack.

Boris Yeltsin assumes control of the Russian Republic.

1990



Steven Geary



Stephanie Nokes



Bobby Kleist



Frank Davis



Bradley Popa,
Molly Orzechowicz

Q: What was the worst part of starting your freshman year?

"It was fine with me. I was actually really excited to come into the high school."

~ Kasia Damski

"The seniors were the worst because they were so jealous that I was better than they were."

~ Kyle Palinca

"I would have to say that it's because I have four years of high school left that it's all hard to me."

~ Danny Calhoun

A New Beginning

Kendra Terzaria

Scared, anxious, excited, and tired - these are most of the feelings the freshman are going through on the first day of high school. This is their first year in a new environment, so it could be scary, but also a good thing.

High school is very different from middle school for many reasons. You don't have pride classes anymore, so you have to do all your homework at home instead of waiting till pride class to get it done. Also you get to choose the classes you want, so you won't be sitting in a class that your not interested in at all. Sometimes it can be hard to be in high school, because you have to walk down by the field house for more than just gym, but also health and APC.

High school is nothing to be scared of. "I wasn't scared to come to high school," said Molly Orzechowicz. "I thought it would be fun." You might get scared as a freshman because people might push you around and make fun of you more. It might be scary, because at first you don't know where your classes are. Freshmen also might seem smaller than

everyone else.

The teachers might put more responsibility on you now that you're older and more mature. This year you won't always get to turn your homework in late. The teachers in the high school are a lot harder on you than the teachers are in the middle school. If you have a game the same night a report is due the teacher doesn't care, you have to have everything turned in at the same time as everyone else.

A good thing for freshmen in high school is the fact that you get to try out for all the teams and everything else. You get to let all the coaches look at you and see what your worth. The best feeling in the world is when you're a freshman and you get picked to be on a varsity team. If you're not into sports there's a lot more you could do such as, play or drama club. There are many activities to join.

Well, all and all being a freshman isn't that bad. It's not scary, and now you get a lot more responsibility put on you. You know that you don't always get picked on and you can have a good time as long as that's how you make it.

"I wasn't scared to come to high school, I thought that it would be fun."

-Molly Orzechowicz 9

Freshmen Lori Wartsbaugh and Kim Therault frantically cram for the biology test that they have later on after lunch. Wartsbaugh quickly studies while trying to decide whom to send her mard grams to, which were being sold for International Club.



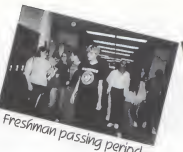
A gun bill was aimed at Americans and passed to protect them in 1991.

During the summer of 1991 some 600 new crop circles appeared.

The 1990's were truly the electronic age of the century.



David Konopacek



Freshman passing period



Kelly Staszak



Sabri Amara
Billy Aguilera



Alana Massa



Kyle Aken
Frank Alvarez
Matthew Alvarez
Sabri Amara
Matthew Aubrey
Matthew Azpeitia
Matthew Baccino



Ashley Baker
Ryan Bandura
Olivia Barlow
Ryan Berry
Jessica Bogner
Jeanette Bridegroom
Ryan Bridges



Sara Brock
Stefanie Brown
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Casey Colby
Charlie Cole
Alicia Collins
Ashley Covington
Ashlee Crundwell
Rebecca Curnow



Karolina Damski
Frank Davis
Matt DeJesus
Stephen DeRoll
Amber Detmar
Kelli Dewees
Nicholas Doell

"The Silence of The Lambs" was a horror/thriller starring Anthony Hopkins and Jodie Foster.

War against Korea started when photographs and documents began to appear.

Four L.A. officers are videotaped and charged for the beating and incarceration of motorist Rodney King.

1991



Samantha Kulig



Brandon Brown



Molly Orzechowicz



Peter Lewis



Caitlin Scott
Ryan Tropp

Patrick Dorin
Anthony Drechny
Lynette Durham
Richard Erdmann
Brittany Erickson
Zachary Ficht
Zachary Forsythe



William Frets
Maegan Funk
Elise Garcia
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Benjamin Geffert
Jessica Gerlich



Stephanie Gilman
Sean Glade
Krista Glidewel
Alexis Gonzalez
Jonathan Green
Joseph Greichunos
Gail Grigson



Matthew Gurrola
Miles Hall
Dustin Hammond
Elizabeth Hancock
Sean Hansen
Stephanie Hansen
Jennifer Henney



Sitting in keyboarding class, freshman Lindsay McCabe finishes up her homework that she saved for that class. "I do all my homework during my other classes so when I get home I can just go out with my friends," said McCabe.



The white cow from Griffith Golf course was painted black and placed on the football field after activities night.

The Football team won the sectional title



They used to wrap Homecoming Court members in toilet paper and make them sit on whipped cream balloons



Brian Abbott



Amanda Rakowski
Britany Erickson



Jessica Simpson



Elyse Janke



Stephanie Hansen

Do you have a guilty pleasure?

Kamilla Marshall
freshman

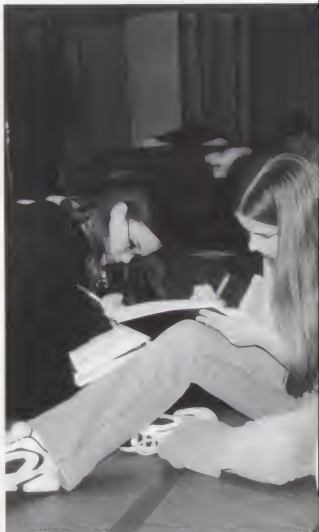


"I like proving people that I don't like wrong, and then laughing at them."

"Arguing my point while knowing the whole time that I am wrong."



Darci Lopez
freshman



Taking a test in Rita Gray's gym class, freshman Trisha Brumley writes on her notebook. "It doesn't really bother me sitting on the floor taking the test. We don't write or take tests that much in that class anyway," Brumley said.

Sitting at lunch with her friends, freshman Lisa Worley tries to finish up some last minute homework. "I am bad about doing my homework at home, so I always end up doing it at lunch or during classes," Worley said.



The Track team took the state title.



The wrestling team captured the Regional win for the first time.

The girls swim team splashed their way through the year with a 7-6 record and good placings.

1992



Zoran Kvirgic



Ashlee Crudwell



Jake Gazarkiewicz



Maegan Funk
Ashley Baker



Michael Ramsey

Annie Hernandez
Abbie Hicks
Samantha Higgins
Evan Hixon
Katie Horn
Derrick Huzzie
Elyse Janke



Kolie Johnson
Holly Jusko
Andrew Karpati
Brian Kayden
Jason Kettwig
Christina Kireta
Katie Kleidon



Bobby Kleist
Jimmy Kleist
Kristen Knoerzer
Curt Konopasek
David Konopasek
Ashley Korak
Samantha Kulig



Matt Kuna
Zoran Kvirgic
Jeremy Labadie
Nathan Lehmann
Mike Leibengood
Beau Leimbach
Peter Lewis



Tiffany Lidster
Darci Lopez
Tyler Louviere
Michael Luna
Daniel MacFarlane
Christopher Martin
Alana Massa



Kristyn Maynard
Lindsay McCabe
Shea McCarthy
Allen McClendon
Kevin Meece
Joshua Mercer
Amy Miles



The T-Birds and Pink Ladies dance to the rock 'n' roll beat while performing the musical "Grease."



The space shuttle "Columbia" landed safely in California after a 10-day mission.

The cheerleaders had a varsity squad of six members and a junior varsity squad of five.

Starter hats and jackets were the fad.



Erin Moore, Kevin Meece



Jimmy Bobowski



Vincent Soy



Caitlin Race



Dustin Hammond

Q: What advice would you give to incoming freshmen?

A: "Don't start any mess. Make sure that you stay out of trouble, and stay on task."

Kamilla Marshall
freshman

Q: Tell me something about you that very few know.

A: "I am obsessed with my cat Moo Moo. No one will ever come before it!"

Darcy Lopez
freshman

Q: What's the best thing about being a freshman?

A: "No one expects much from us, so we get away with a lot of things."

Danielle Wilson
freshman



Attempting to do an impression of Shannon Trauscht, at a Super Bowl party, freshman Molly Orzechowicz, cracks up at herself. "Everyone kept making me do it over and over again," Orzechowicz said.

Trying to keep her eyes open in Barbra Deleget's class, freshman Megan Swanson works hard to keep her grade up in Geometry. Swanson tried to finish her homework at the beginning of the hour, during SSR, because she doesn't like to read.

The varsity baseball team chewed an average of 4 pounds of sunflower seeds per game.



Chicago Bull Michael Jordan scored his 20,000th career point.

Howard Stern radio show premiered in Boston on WBCN 104.1 FM-evenings.

1993



Jimmy Kleist



Frank Davis



Matthew Baccino

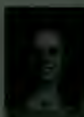
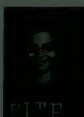


Brian Kayden

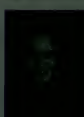


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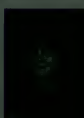
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Shawn O'Keefe



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Kyle Palinca
Chris Parker
Ashley Peters
Jessica Phillips
Christopher Pilipow



Samantha Ploskonka
Kristina Plucinski
Bradley Pupa
Victor Prieto
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Michael Ramsey



Jaquelyn Ranck
Brittany Rawdon
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John Reyna
Eric Ritter
Robert Robinson



Eric Clapton entered the U.S.
album chart at number 1 with
"From The Cradle".

A large meteorite fell near
Kusaie, in the Pacific Ocean.

Nirvana played their last concert
at The Terminal in Germany.



Lori Wartsbaugh



Casey Colby



Karrie Obravovich



Ruth Zemke



Melony Schmidt



Aaron Salczynski
Stacy Sanchez
Theresa Sanchez
Melony Schmidt
Caitlin Scott
John Scurtu
Nicholas Sellers



Samantha Shuster
Jessica Simpson
Steven Siokos
Jeff Slagle
Amy Sloan
Christopher Sophia
Jeff Sopko



While sitting in the lunch room with all of her friends, freshman Katie Horn takes a look at Turnabout pictures. Students got their pictures at lunch where they had to provide proof of identification to pick them up.

Standing by their lockers with many books in their hands, freshmen Ashley O'Connor and Kelly Staszak talk with each other so they have something to do to keep themselves busy before they have to leave to go to their next class.

The Rolling Stone's 12th US tour kicked off in Washington D.C. They turned down an invitation to play at the White House.

Ernesto Zedillo was inaugurated as President of Mexico.

Aretha Franklin was given a Lifetime Achievement Award.

1994



Jaquelyn Ranck,
Billy Canill



Lynette Durham



Zach Forsythe



Brandon Brown



Brittany Zajicek

Vincent Soy
Tim Spisak
Christa Staes
Elizabeth Stanford
Kelly Staszak
Felicia Sutton
Megan Swanson



Timothy Swart
Alyssa Szo
Jason Taylor
Amanda Tharp
Kimberly Therault
Kelsey Troxel
Megan Turner



Kimberly Tuzar
Zachary Udehitz
Amanda Uram
Daniel Vanek
Nathan Vaughan
Megan Verbeke
Ben Victory



After making their Irish potato candy in foods class, freshmen Shawn O'Keefe and Mike Liebengood, take a taste of their treat. "They were all gooey. It was like eating straight cream cheese. They were just nasty," said O'Keefe.

While many think five minutes in between classes is too short, freshmen Samantha Ploskonka, Kathryn Horn, and Lisa Worley still find time to catch up. "I think five minutes for passing period is the perfect amount of time," said Worley.



Baseball legend Mickey Mantle succumbed to liver cancer, at the age of 63, just two months after receiving a liver transplant.

A car bomb exploded at the Alfred P. Murrah Federal building in Oklahoma City killing 168 people.



Griffith High School's baseball team made it to semi-state.



Samantha Ploskonka



Krista Gildewell



Megan Turner



Alana Massa
Andrew Wright



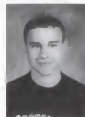
Steven Siokos



Olivia Wagman
Lori Wartsbaugh
Brittany Watts
Alex Werkowski
Amanda White
Terrell Whiteside



Aaron Wilbert
Anna Williams
Danielle Wilson
Daniel Woloszyn
Lisa Worley
Andrew Wright



James Writt
Joseph Zajac
Brittany Zajicek
Anthony Zarndt
Randy Zellers
Ruth Zemke

Not Pictured:

Brian Abbott
William Aguilera
Andres Akins
Joshua Amos
Brandon Archer
Yetunde Bey
Sarah Yarchan-Blackwell
James Bobowski
Brandon Brown
Leondre Cobb
Timothy Conti
Andres Contreras
Savannah Dillon
Jeremy Drach

Chris Dunagan
Brittany Dunner
Carl Elsner
Julian Flores
Steven Geary
Chastity Gwizdak
Melanie Hanson
Heather Harpst
Jasmine Heard
Joshua Helfen
Chris Higginbotham
Kathryn Horn
Holly Jusko
Jasmine Kellum

Andrew Kinney
Nicholas Lavolette
Steven Lopez
Naomi Lyles
Kamilla Marshall
Anton Mathis
Jacqueline Miskiewicz
Eric Miskuf
Andrew Monko
Joshua Morris
Craig Nowakowski
Max Popovich
Miranda Pryor
Jelena Pupac

Jeffrey Reitz
DeAndre Robinson
David Romesburg
Rene Salinas
Nicole Schuhrke
Christopher Smith
Heather Smith
Jamie Theil
Latoya Toney
Anthony Tropp
Michael Wegner
Terrell Whiteside
Mar'Sean Wills

Griffith senior, Aimee Willis placed fifth in state for diving. It was her third year competing at the state level.



O.J. Simpson was found not guilty for the 1994 murders of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman.

Creatful Dead guitarist and lead singer, Jerry Garcia died of a heart attack at the age of 53.

1995



Brian Jennings, English



Jason Gast, art



Katherine Martinez, Spanish



Kristina Kraiko, English



Luann Morgan, social studies
Julie Cseryenak

Jim Anderson
Nancy Ashton
Kim Beach
Katie Bonnan
Diana Bowman
Mary Cahill
Ruth Carmichael



Teresa Carstensen
Michelle Conner
Anita Cox
Martha Davis
Barb Deleget
Michelle Duffala
Linda Einsele



Chuch Elmund
Jack Gabor
Jason Gast
Tom Golumbeck
Jim Graff
Rita Gray
Ed Hanko



Bob Hastings
Lynn Heler
Thom Howell
Mark Janosek
Rick Kapiszka
Sheree Kayden
Kathy Keller



Kristina Kraiko
Andrea McMullin
Cathy Mendenhall
Lisa Megquier
Nikki Miklusak
Rachel Miller
Veronica Moisant



Nanette Naranjo
Kay Orzechowicz
Sue Patricks
Craig Phipps
Jim Pickett
Bo Radtke
Russ Radtke



Jim and Carl in front of the
Central Park sign that
announces the cost of haircuts.



The town of Griffith recognized the 50th anniversary of the founding of Jim and Carl's barber shop. The cost of haircuts on March 6th were rolled back to 1946 prices: \$1 for adults and \$0.75 for children.

On Christmas day, Jon Benet Ramsey, Colorado, child beauty queen, was murdered at the age of 6.



Andrea McMullin, FCS



Jane Villaroman, science, Melanie Fuoss, Charity Bryan, Taylor Morton



Barb Deleget, math, Kristen Matthews



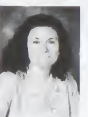
Katie Bowman, Spanish



Anita Cox, social studies



Theresa Ramos
Sharon Saneli
Frankie Schiller
Eric Schilling
Dave Smith
Jim Smith



Veronica Smith
Jereda Snyder
Marlene Starcevic
Sheila Vaclavik
Kim Vessel
Jane Vilaroman



Good luck in all of your endeavors may you all be prosperous, successful and happy. May the good Lord grant you all your wishes. Thank you for all the memories" -Eric Schilling, Math

Julie Wencloff
Don Whittemore
Michael Woroz
Christine Wroblewski

Story From a Teacher...



Q: When did you decide you wanted to be a teacher?

I was 22. I swore all through college that I would never be a teacher. My major was Spanish and I graduated from college with a degree in Spanish. I got a job in Chicago as a secretary and hated it. I remembered how much I liked tutoring people in college and I went back to get a teaching licence and now I've been a teacher for 9 years.



Celebrating the end of band camp, Craig Phipps gets attacked with squirt guns by juniors Jovanka Balak and Rosalinda Sendejas. Band camp went through August 4th, and ended on August 8th. On the last day, the band got to celebrate for all their hard work.

Griffith won the sectional title over Munster in football.



Roy Frost and Chris Higgins Showing off the sectional title for '96

1996

On January 1st, after 27 years, Betty Rubble debuted as a Flintstone vitamin.



Class chants like "life is good, life is great, we're the class of '98," were actually part of the pep rally agenda.

Senior Miranda Moore started a new tradition of breaking into the boys locker room before the game.

Homecoming King was Anthony Stabolito and Queen was Natalie Miller.

The most popular colors of hair dye were red and blonde.

100 Ways to... Spend Your Money

Students have jobs to provide them with one thing, money. But what are Griffith students doing with all that dough? Most go shopping, like junior Missy Dills. "I like to go to the mall to spend most of my money," Dills said. And like Dills, most students spend a majority of their money at the mall.

Junior Kali Werkowski also spends her money that way. "My favorite place to shop at the mall is at Hollister. I usually buy shirts and skirts," Werkowski said. But Werkowski doesn't just pick out sale items. "I usually spend anywhere from about forty to fifty dollars."

Students usually don't like to spend their own money on food even though they tend to eat out a lot. "I don't spend my money on food because that's what my mom's money is for," Dills said.

Werkowski agrees, "I only occasionally spend my money on food," she said.

But freshman Josh Mercer loves to spend his money on food. "My favorite food place to go to is BW3's [Buffalo Wild Wings] and eat," Mercer said. But he doesn't just go there to eat, he also likes to shop at Hollister. What Mercer really likes to spend his money on is racing, cars, and clothes. "I run errands a lot to," Mercer said. Sometimes you will even find Mercer shopping at the grocery store.

—Christina Boncela



Christina Boncela

Sipping some of her trappachino from Starbucks, senior Ashley Hooper enjoys the ambience of a bustling coffee house. Students often went to Starbucks to pass the time or pick up a tasty treat. Buying his ticket for the spring choral concert sophomore Mike McCrary prepares to enter the auditorium. The concerts consisted of selections where students could have fun and 'let their hair down.'



Christina Boncela



Biology students dissect fetal pigs

SADD held a lock in, in which students were allowed to swim, play volleyball, and play basketball.

Griffith football wins state.

The Pantherette squad consisted of 19 members.

1997



Nikki,
Congratulations! I knew you could do it.
Enjoy everyday to what it's worth, you
deserve the best life has to offer. Never
settle for less than you dream. Always
know that no matter what you do, or
where life leads you I'll always be there for
you. I'm proud of you.

I love you.
Love, Mom
**Nicole
Scharnke**



Mike,

We're lucky to have gotten the son every
parent wishes for. Ever since you were a little
boy, we've recognized your talent. You are
intelligent, generous, and a truly good person
for all the accomplishments you've achieved,
and especially for the caring young man that
you've become. We couldn't be more proud
of you! We wish you happiness, love, and
success.

Love always,
Mom, Dad,
Kabe,
& Billy
Mike Cahill



Dear Eric,

You're the man!

Love,
Aunt Fran

Eric Todd



Dear Justin,

If I could relive the years back,
"highlights," I'd have the last 18
years back. Instead, I have
memories to cherish. Be good to
yourself and those you care about,
stay focused, reach beyond your
dreams, know how proud I am,
and how much I love you.

Mom
Justin Lynn



It seems like yesterday you were
just born. You have become such
a beautiful young lady. You have
made us so proud of you. Keep
reaching for the stars and all your
dreams will come true.
We love you very much.

Love,
Mom,
Dad,
Shawn
**Amanda
Bernicky**



Congratulations! Thank you for the
wonderful memories. We are proud of
you and your accomplishments. Keep
up the good work, follow your heart,
pursue your dreams and good things
will happen. Remember, we love you
and will always be there for you.

Love,
Mom, Dad,
Mark, & Jack
**Danny
Blount**



Congratulations!! Our little girl
has turned into a beautiful young
lady. We wish you the best of
luck for the future. Hope all your
dreams come true.
We love you very much!

Dad, Mom,
Aaron, Adam, & Megan

Lauren Wilbert



Kaleigh,

I can't believe it! Where have the years
gone? I am so proud of you and all that
you have become and all I know is yet to
come. I can't wait to see where your life
takes you. Hunny, know always that I'll be
behind you every step of the way. You
have my love and support always. I love
you always and lots!

Love,
Mom
Kaleigh Kistler

Singer Sonny Bono (left) died at the
age of 32 when he struck a tree while
skiing in California.



The multi-million dollar movie Titanic tied for
winning the most Academy Awards (11).

Students that failed their ISTEP+
testing were offered remediation
classes for the first time.



If I could turn back the hands of time, I would remember:
Walking on your tip toes
Getting zapped with Operation
Your diaper falling off. "Butterball"
Walking around in your "B" suit
Excitement over soccer camp.
Lessons learned the hard way.
Time has tested our love. "Unconditional"
You forgot your what? "I sit"
"I know where the house is." Yeah right.
At 18 years old, you still give me zerbets before bed.

If only I could turn back the hands of time.

Trista Guerra



Ross,
Congratulations! You finally made it. We are so proud of the man you have become. Go show the world what you are made of!

Love,
Your family

**Ross
McMullin**

**Taylor
Morton**

Taylor,
You have made us so happy! Thanks for all your help through all the tough times. It wasn't always easy for us, but you helped us through. You've made so many amazing accomplishments.
We love you. Wishing you happiness in everything you do.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Leah,
Evan, & Blair



Brian, you're our hero. Reach for the stars. You want to be a police officer, be the best you can be.

We love you and are proud that you are our son.

Love you,
Mom and Dad
& Michelle

Brian Prewitt

Then

Now



**Stephen
Helfen**



We are so proud of you! You have given us so many precious memories. Thank you for being such a wonderful daughter. Always remember what a special person you are. Good luck as you start college!

Love,
Mom, Dad,
& Brian

**Allison
Kayden**



Emily,
You have always made me laugh when I needed to. You are my special blue eyed girl, and I'm proud of you. We love you.

Your mom
& Family

**Emily
Sternberg**

Then

Now



**Megan
Matusik**



President Clinton admitted that he had had sexual relations with Monica Lewinsky.



With the help of his brother, authorities were able to find and arrest the Unabomber.

Hate Crimes Bill inclusive of sexual orientation passes U.S. Senate for first time.

1998



Emily,

How quickly the years have passed - it seems only yesterday you were a little girl getting into everything - now you are a young lady getting ready for college. We are very proud of you! Study hard at college, but also have fun!

Love you,

Gram & Pop, Dad & Teresa,
Uncle Bret & Aunt Beth, Aunt Stacey,
Josh, & Dylan



Emily Etheridge

Sarah,

From our baby girl with the rosebud lips, you have blossomed into a beautiful, intelligent, and kind-hearted young lady. We are very proud of you! You have given us so many memories; both on and off the basketball court. We will miss watching our #22 play basketball. We wish you the best in your future endeavors. We will always be here for you.

*Sarah
Planer*

Love,
Mom, Dad,
& Nicholas



Congratulations Sweetie Pie,
You have been and always
will be the love of our lives.
We are so very proud of you.

"To everything there is a
reason, and a time to every
purpose under the
heaven...a time to weep, a
time to laugh, a time to
mourn, and a time to
dance..." - Ecclesiastes
"Every day I count wasted in
which there has been no
dancing." - Nietzsche "To
sing and to dance well is to
be well educated." - Plato
God has blessed you with
many talents. Use your gifts
wisely and you will be
blessed.

I hope you dance!

Mom, Dad, & Eddie



*Christina
Boncela*



Then



**Natalie
Mazur**



Now

Matthew:

Eighteen years has passed by so quickly. It seems like yesterday that you were our little five pound premie. Now, you have grown into such a handsome young man. We are very proud of you for who you are. We hope and pray that you will continue to follow the same path you have paved for yourself. We share in your joy as you graduate from high school and begin a new chapter of your life in college.



**Matthew
Vaclavik**
Love always,
Mom, Dad, Andy, & Joey



Congratulations, Drake!

Love,
Mom & Derek

**Drake
Bistrow**



Charity a.k.a Sissy Girl,

You've grown into a beautiful young lady with a tremendous amount of accomplishments; no parent could be more proud than I.

Now that you're starting a new chapter in your life, keep your goals high, stay focused, trust your heart and your God! Most of all enjoy "Life"!

Thanks for all the memories.

Congratulations!

Good luck at IU.

Love,
Mom, Nathan, & Nano



Charity Bryan



Melonie,

You have grown to be a beautiful, wonderful, hardworking and very conscientious young lady. We are very proud of all your achievements. Now that you're planning to go away for college to fulfill your dreams and goals in life, we want to let you know that we

will always be here for you and that we will miss you a lot.

Love Always,
Mom, Dad, & Chris



Melonie
Fuoss



Stephen,

We are very proud of the young man that you have become. You have worked hard for all of your accomplishments, and we wish you all the best in achieving your goals for the future. Keep smiling.

We love you,
Mom, Dad, & Sarah

Stephen Fry



Tarin,

We are so proud of you in all you have done and the person you have become. You are so sweet and caring. Our baby girl has grown up too fast!

Love,
Dad, Mom & Ryan

Tarin Blythe

Richie
Studniarz



Dear Richie,

We are so very proud of you! Not just for all of the accomplishments you have achieved, but most importantly for the caring, intelligent, respectful, and loving adult you have become. You have added such "sunshine" to our lives. Good luck in college with health and happiness.

Lots of Love,
Mom, Dad, & Brooke



Dear Jimmy,

The person you have become is everything and more than we could have ever hoped for in our child. May you continue to reach out and grab all that you wish for. We have no doubt that you will succeed!

Love,
Mom & Dad (and
the whole "J" crew!)

Jimmy
Long



Congratulations Jennifer!

I am so proud of you. You grew up into a beautiful, caring, loving young lady. You are very special to me, you're my baby girl. Good luck in college. Life is going to treat you great, because you deserve the best.

Love you lots,
Mom

Jennifer
Perez



Jess:

The greatest happiness I've ever known in my life comes from you. Watching you grow into the beautiful young woman that you have become. I have every wish for happiness, success, and love in your future. May your every dream come true.

Love,
Mom

Jessica
Banke



Josh,
You have grown into an amazing
young man. We are so proud of
you and all that you have
accomplished. We wish you the
best in whatever path life takes
you. We know you will do well.

Love,
Dad, Mom, Eric,
Allison, Felipe, &
Serena
Josh
Bridegroom

Eric Keller



God gave us a special gift
the day you were born. You
will always have a special
place in our hearts. Don't
give up on your hopes and
dreams, they can and will
come true. We love you
now and forever.

Love,
Grandma &
Grandpa



From kindergarten to high school -
what a journey! You have filled our
hearts with unique, wonderful
memories and laughter. We're
proud of the intelligent,
determined, caring man you have
become and all you have
accomplished. We'll always be
here for you - to love & support
you in whatever path you choose.

Love,
Dad, Mom, & Heather

Brad Szczesniak



Dear Katie,
Congratulations! From ponytail
and freckles you've blossomed
into a beautiful young lady.
Thank you for the joy and
memories you've given us.
We're so proud. Though your
adult life is just beginning,
you'll always be our Boo! We'll
always love you

Love,
Dad, Mom, & Mark

Katie Govert

Lauren Convery



We are very proud of the
sweet, intelligent, beautiful
young woman you have
become. Follow your dreams.
Never fear those mountains in
the distance. Never settle for
the path of least resistance.
And when you get the choice
to sit it out or dance, we hope
you DANCE.

Love,
Mom, Dad, & Rachel



Eric Fitzgerald

From the day you were born,
your eyes said that you were
special. You are our life and
our future. We are so proud of
the man you have become and
the great things that you will
achieve in the future. The world
is yours and we will always
love you and be there for you.
Congratulations and good luck.

Love,
Mom, Dad,
Lauren, & Meagan





To our little "Princess Allison",

You have been such a joy in our lives. You are such a great kid! From preschool to high school you have come so far! A sweet little girl to a beautiful young lady. Reach for the stars! The future is yours! Thanks for being such a great big sister! I love you sissy! Be happy always! Don't settle for anything unless it is exactly what you want! We love you Allie!

Love,

Dad, Mom, & Daniel



Allie Woloszyn



From day one & into the future.

You're a granddaughter that can only be called priceless!

My wish for you is health, love, happiness, and success.



Love ya,
Papa

*Allie
Woloszyn*



Allie,

Through the years, we have been very proud of you. You are quite a young lady! After graduation, a new chapter in your life begins. Our hope is that wherever your path leads you, success will follow you!



We love you!

Nana,
Aunt Cheryl,
Challen,
Carter, Cody,
Aunt Amy, &
Uncle Brian



Allie
Woloszyn



Dear Sissy,

We are so very proud of you! May all your dreams come true!

We love you,

Uncle Pat,
Aunt Kathi,
Patrick, & Megan

Allie
Woloszyn



Kelly,

You are independent, outgoing and ready for you life to move ahead. You're our "special" daughter and an important part of our family. We wish you happiness in whatever your future holds. We will always be here for you. Congratulations and all of our love to you!!

Mom, Dad,
Alida, & David

Kelly
Baldazo



Way to go! You have made such a great accomplishment. I can't tell you enough how proud of you I am and you should be proud of yourself. You have given me many wonderful memories. I will always be here for you! Always believe in yourself.

Love Always and
Forever,
Mom

Eric Keller



Amanda
Borders



Our Dear, Sweet Amanda,

Where did the time go? It seems like yesterday we were bringing you home from the hospital. You have grown to be such an amazing young woman that we are very proud of. We know you will succeed at all that you do. Congratulations!

Love,
Mom & Dad



Dear Suzy,

Congratulations! You made it! I can't believe how fast the years went. We wish you success in anything you choose to do in the future. We are so very proud of you!

Love,
Mom, Mimi,
& Kristen

Suzy
Wilczynski





Melissa Miecznikowski

Dear Melissa,
Congratulations! We're proud of you! You succeeded from preschool graduation to high school graduation. You can succeed in anything you do, shoot for the stars as a new exciting chapter is beginning in your life. We will miss you when you leave for college. You're an awesome sis!

Love,
Mom & Mark



Shawn Ramsey



Congratulations. We are so proud of you. You have such a great personality and you always make us laugh. We have always enjoyed being with you. We are looking forward to sharing the next chapter in your life. Thanks for the memories.

Love,
Dad, Mom, Elizabeth,
Eric, & John



Erica Naaman



Erica (Rocky) Naaman,
Everyday you bring happiness to all around you. Your spirit and strength shine brightly. Like the rock, you're tride and true. May each day bring you joy and fulfillment. Reach out and make the best of all your opportunities.

Love,
Dad, Mom, Mark,
Andrea, Angie

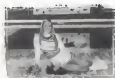
Brittany Clark



Britt,
Congratulations! We are very proud of the young lady you have become. Smart, funny & beautiful. We are so thankful for all the memories we've shared. We wish you success and happiness in your future. Reach for the stars!! Just remember we will always be here for you.

With Love,
Mom, Dad, Breanne,
Grandma, & Grandpa

Julie Sims



Dearest Julie,

It has been a pleasure to watch you go from a shy little girl to a beautiful, assertive, and independent young woman. I know the future holds many new adventures for you. Work hard and have fun too! Remember the past but look forward to the future—the best is yet to come...

Love,

Mom (your very best friend),
and Dad



Christina Menchaca

Christina,

We are so proud of everything you have accomplished through the years. Keep God in your heart and follow your dreams. We wish you the very best in life and remember your family is always there for you. Congratulations.

Love Always,

Irma, Manny, Andy,
Jerry, Mom, and Dad



Kayte:

You are a wonderful, loving daughter and sister. We are very proud of all your accomplishments. You are beautiful, smart & determined. We love you and will always be there for you. May your future be filled with happiness, health, & success. You deserve the best.

Love Always,

Mom, Krissy, Lee, & L.J.



Kayte
Majstoric

We can't believe that the time has come for you to graduate high school. We are very proud of you. We wouldn't have missed a minute of watching you grow up. We know you'll be successful no matter what path you choose. We wish you the best of luck in life, and hope that all your dreams come true. Congratulations!

Love always,

Mom, Dad,
Claudia, Matthew



Martina
Rybacki



Seems like yesterday you were born and we held you in our arms.

Only you could have brought us so many fond memories.

You have grown into a beautiful young lady.

Forever pursue your dreams and ambitions for they are what sets you apart from others. Be true to yourself.

In our hearts is where we will store our memories. Continue making us proud, as you have all these years.

Always remember we are here for you and we love you very much.

Love,

Dad, Mom, Sal & Nena



Sofia Aguilar



Dear Heather,
Congratulations on all your accomplishments in high school. I'm really proud of you. Good luck in college. I know you'll do great. Have fun and study, study, study. You're the best.



Love,
Mom xoxoxo

Heather Banks

Dear Carly,

Where did the years go? Time moved so quickly and we're not ready to let go - but we will with some tears and big hugs. From daughter to dancer to gymnast to sister to athlete to top ten scholar, we couldn't be more proud. Whatever path you choose, you'll always have such great memories of GHS to take with you in your heart.

We love you,

Dad & Mom



Carly Salczynski



Christina,

You did an excellent job as editor of yearbook and your skills and personality will be greatly missed. You brought a smile to my face everyday, and the entire staff appreciated your constant patience, humor, and commitment. I will miss you (my twin) greatly! We are two peas of the same pod.

Miss Kraiko

Christina Boncela



Amber Kasbohm



"I don't need no one to tell me about heaven, I look at my daughter and I believe."

Amber, you have far surpassed anything I could have hoped for in a woman. I will miss the daily weather report and our crazy laughter! Thank you for making my life so wonderful! Remember, I'm just a phone call away.

Love,
Mom



Katie,

When looking back at our "little girl," we wonder how the years passed so quickly. Now you're graduating and going on to college. We're so proud! You've brought so much happiness to our lives! You'll always be "OUR LITTLE GIRL!"

Love,
Mom and Dad

Katie Abascal

Then



Nicole Kettwig



Now

Kristi Hoese



Kristi,

It seems like yesterday you were our Kristi pooh pooh. The years have flown by fast. Follow your dreams, don't be discouraged, you can accomplish anything you wish to. We are all very proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Koby, Dave,
Nana, & Papa



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The World Trade Center in New
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Gateway was the most the
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Justin Timberlake, Steven Tyler,
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Fifty-five percent of students at GHS said their favorite way to spend their free time was hanging out with friends.



The renovation of Griffith High School that was supposed to be completed in two years was started.

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Four varsity teams at GHS
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Sixty-five percent of students at
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GHS grew in the technology
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"The Orchestra of the Philharmonic
Kazoo Society of GHS" was formed
consisting of fifteen students.



Michael Jackson was named artist
of the century at the American
Music Awards.

Varsity club was the largest
organization at GHS consisting of
85 members.

2002

100 Ways

Drake Bistrow



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- 1) sophomores Arek Ryzak, Ashton Kepple, and Jessica Koch 2) Craige Phipps, band and Jim Graff, art 3) Russ Radtke, physics 4) sophomore Trent Bierman 5) freshman Leah Morton 6) freshman Ashley Peters

GHS under construction



Michael Jackson is arrested on child molestation charges.

Space shuttle Columbia disintegrates over Texas upon reentry, killing all seven astronauts on board.

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Say Goodbye

With the school year at an end and everything all wrapped up, many students were left with the question of what to do now. Some students were going off to college, some finding jobs, some even planning just lying around. But the hard part was saying goodbye to the normal everyday task of going to school. We were all left with an empty void, especially seniors, of not doing the monotonous task of walking down those gorgeous blue halls of GHS everyday. We were left to only our friends that we hang around with outside of school, not just those normal everyday acquaintances that we say "hi" to everyday. We said goodbye to our favorite teachers, even though secretly we were glad that we weren't going to have to sit through our classes anymore. We said goodbye to our seniors even though we knew that with them leaving, we would get to move up another year and that meant we were one step closer to graduating. And if we were seniors we said bye to the underclassmen, which was sad, but we knew that we were moving on to bigger and better things. And even though we've already said bye to the construction there were still those final touches that kept popping up now and again that reminded us how much our school really has changed since we've been here. But even though we're all saying goodbye and things will change we will still hang out with our friends, even if they are new ones, trying to win, working together, trying to get ahead, standing out, and spending our money. I guess some things will never change. ~Christina Boncela



Lyndley Clarkson

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Troops from the United States, the United Kingdom, Australia, and Poland invade Iraq preceded by a surgical air strike on the suspected bunker of Saddam Hussein in Baghdad.

Bob Hope, Barry White, Johnny Cash, and John Ritter died this year.

Jedi's Garden burnt down in Griffith because of a kitchen fire.

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NASA rover lands safely on red planet.

Jury finds Martha Stewart guilty of lying to investigators over a suspicious sale of shares in drug company ImClone.

Griffith High School's construction is finally over.

Bush launches Iraq WMD comission.

The centennial celebration of Griffith finally begins.

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the 1990s, the number of people in the UK who are employed in the public sector has increased by 1.5 million, from 2.5 million in 1980 to 4 million in 1995. The public sector has become an important employer of people with mental health problems.

There is a growing awareness of the need to improve the mental health of people in the public sector. The Department of Health (1996) has published a strategy for mental health care, which includes a commitment to improve the mental health of people in the public sector. The strategy states that 'the mental health of people in the public sector is a priority for the Department of Health' and that 'the Department will work to ensure that people in the public sector have access to the same high quality mental health services as the general population'.

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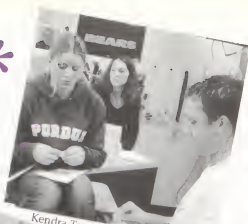
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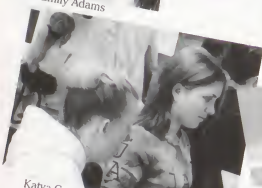
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*Editor's Note

St. Ambrose once said that, "There is no duty more urgent than that of returning THANKS." Well I have many many "Thank You's" that are very long over due. My boss once told me that we become who we are by what we do ourselves and put our minds to and what others help us with along the way. Well even though I've put my mind to a lot of things, I also had an abundance of help from other people. So I would first like to thank God for giving me such a wonderful life and so many talents. Even when I thought that it would be too much there was only one set of footprints in the sand. I want to thank my mom. She always believed in me and would never understand when I told her I had failed. She would always say that I hadn't failed, I just had to try a little harder. Thanks for believing in me in everything I've done, and giving me all that I have ever wanted. I thank my dad for always taking me to gymnastics when I was little, spotting me on the bars when I got older, and for working nights so that you could take me to class. I promise I won't forget. Thanks to my baby brother Eddie for missing me while I'm away and always loving me even though we were supposed to hate each other. I want to thank Joe for meeting me at my car late at night when I had deadline and bringing me Starbucks so that I could stay awake and not go insane. And also for everything else that he's done for me, like making me laugh when I was upset, and calming me down when I got stressed out, and just always being there for me even if I wasn't. Thanks to Robin for opening the wonderful world of dance up to me and also being my mom when we went to Disney World, my teacher at dance, and my friend when we went everywhere else. I also would like to thank her kids Riley and Renn who always make me smile. I want to thank Ms. Kraiko for helping me so much and staying after with me in order to get this book out. I also want to thank her for letting me borrow her pants at journalism camp, that's right: journalism camp. I want to thank all of my friends who helped me out all along the way and that helped me shape who I am. There are way too many to name them all and I don't want to leave anyone out, but you know who you are. Thanks for the trips to Starbucks, movies, haunted houses, and miniature golf. But, I would also like to thank my friends that I didn't get to hang out with that much with outside of school. Thanks Lucie, Ashley, and Taylor, for always having such a positive outlook on life, drying my tears, making me laugh, and also for being there for me no matter what. I was worried about being captain of the cheerleading squad and editor of the yearbook, but with help from both my staff and squad I was able to accomplish both successfully. So thanks for all of the help and understanding. Which brings me to my staff, thanks so much guys for everything, without your hard work and dedication there would be many unhappy students at GHS without a yearbook. And lastly I would like to thank all of you that make the hallways a brighter, happier place. Thanks to those of you who always smile, have positive attitudes, and believe in yourself and others. Thanks to everyone that has ever smiled at me and said, "Hi." You really have left a footprint on my heart.

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